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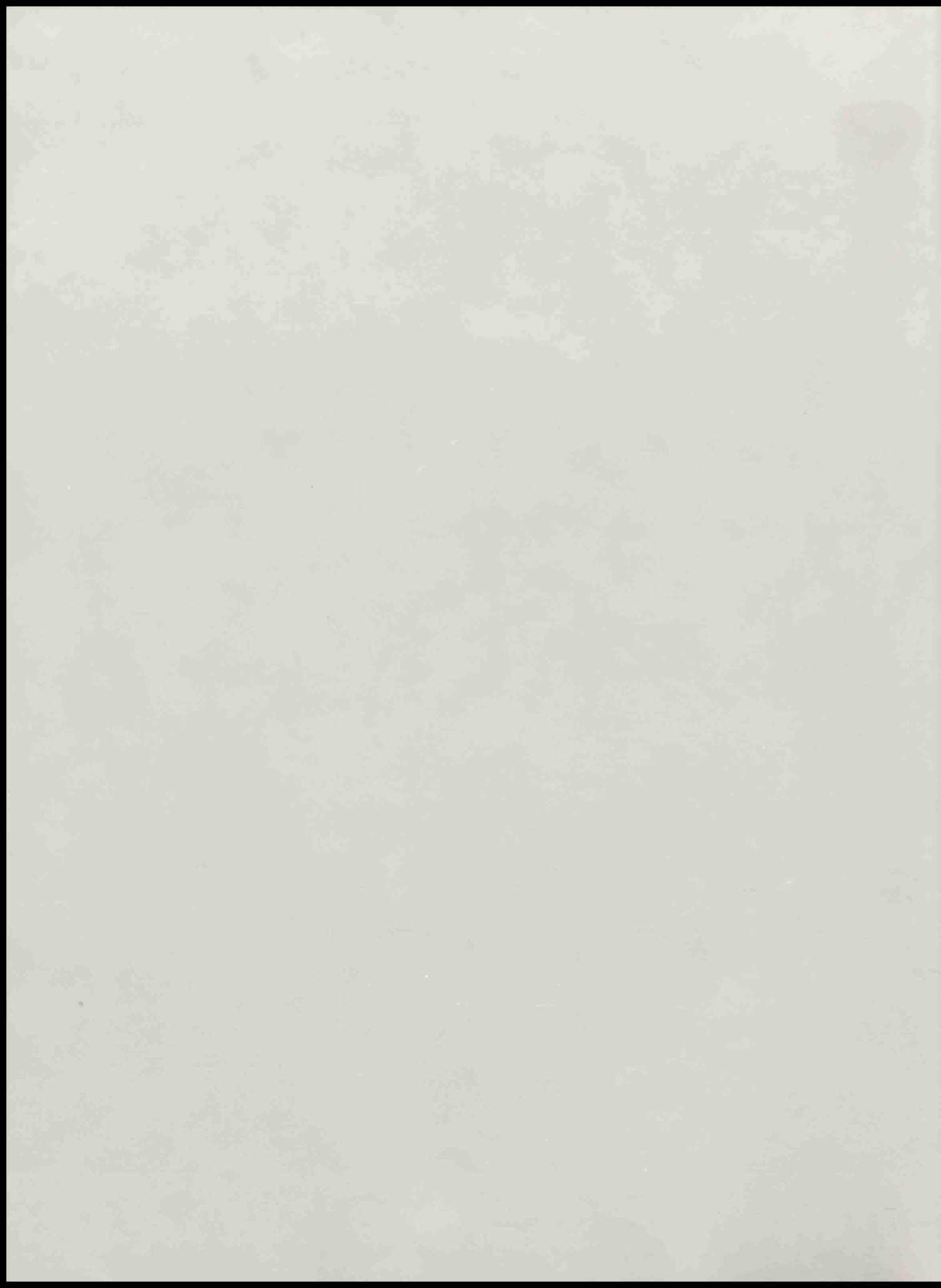


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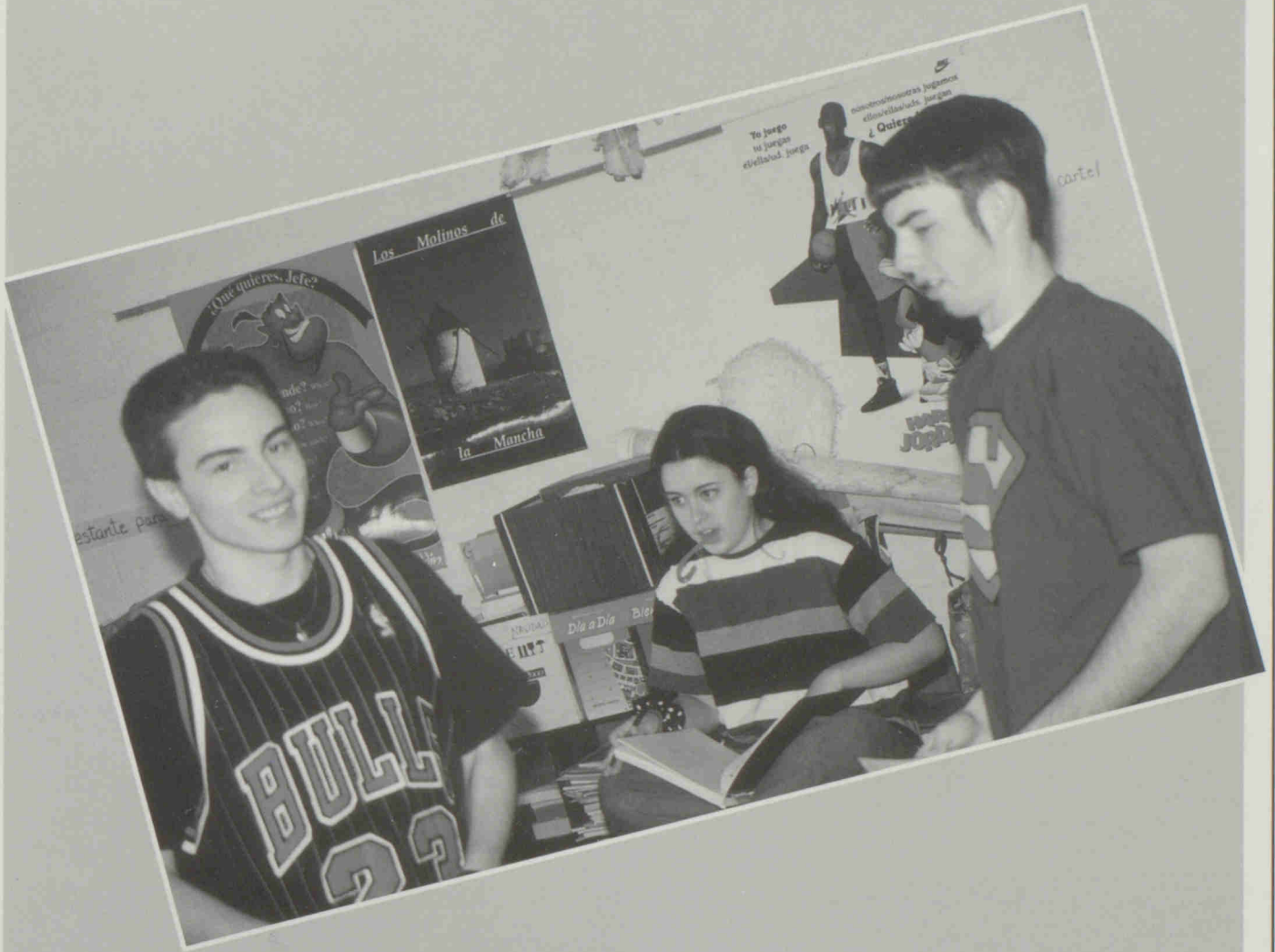


HIGH SCHOOL 97-98





Seniors, Garin White, Amanda Baker and Ryan Sosamon get ready for semester exams. It's a new year at Deland Weldon High School.



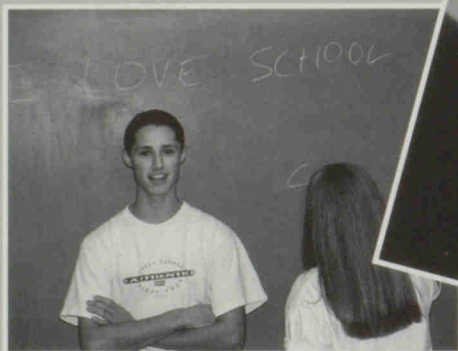
## The Eagle, 1998

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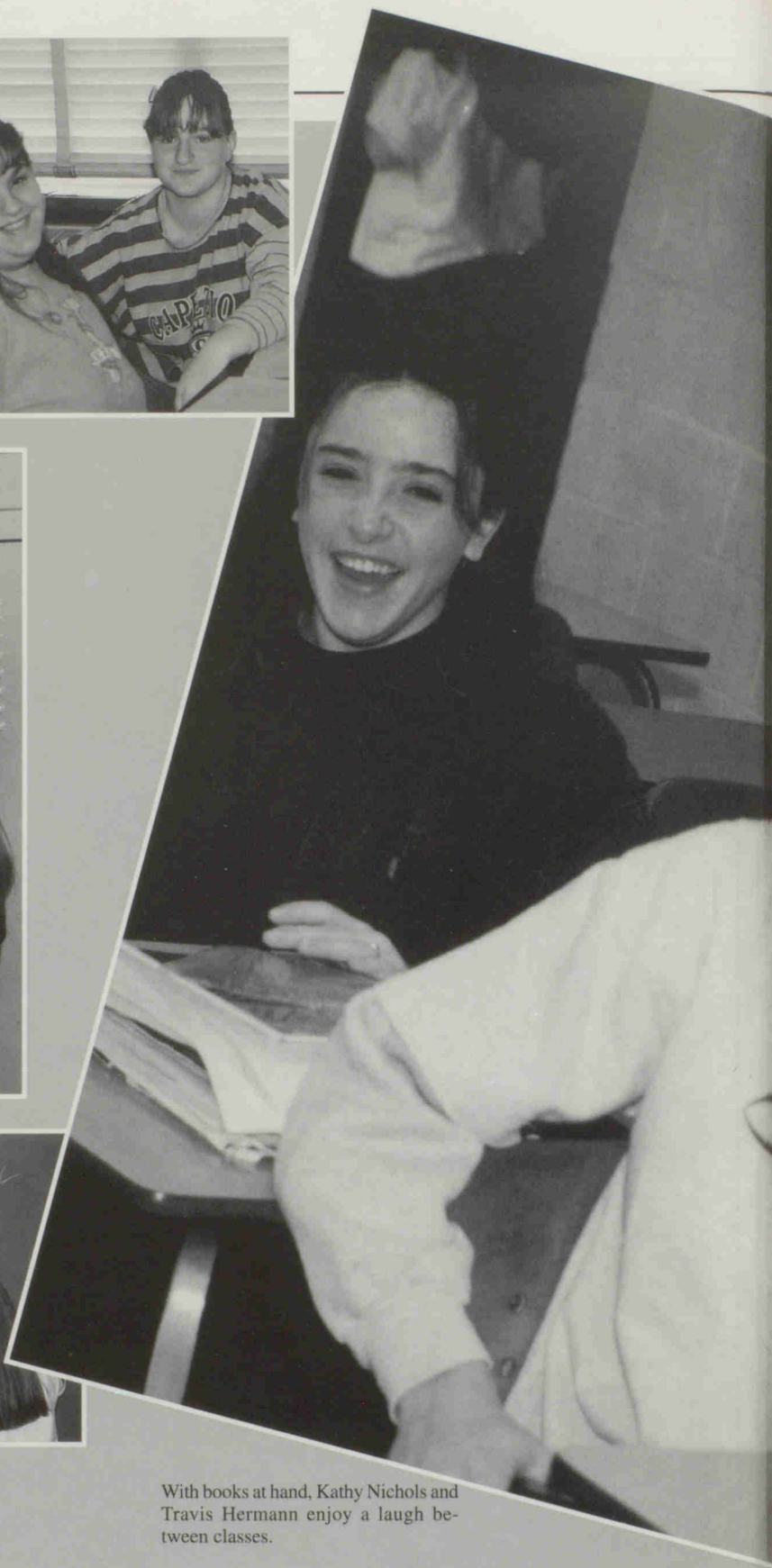
Amanda Whisman and Katie McKinney work on their assignments in the computer lab.



Paula Hendricks and Betsy Twist close their lockers and pose for the camera.



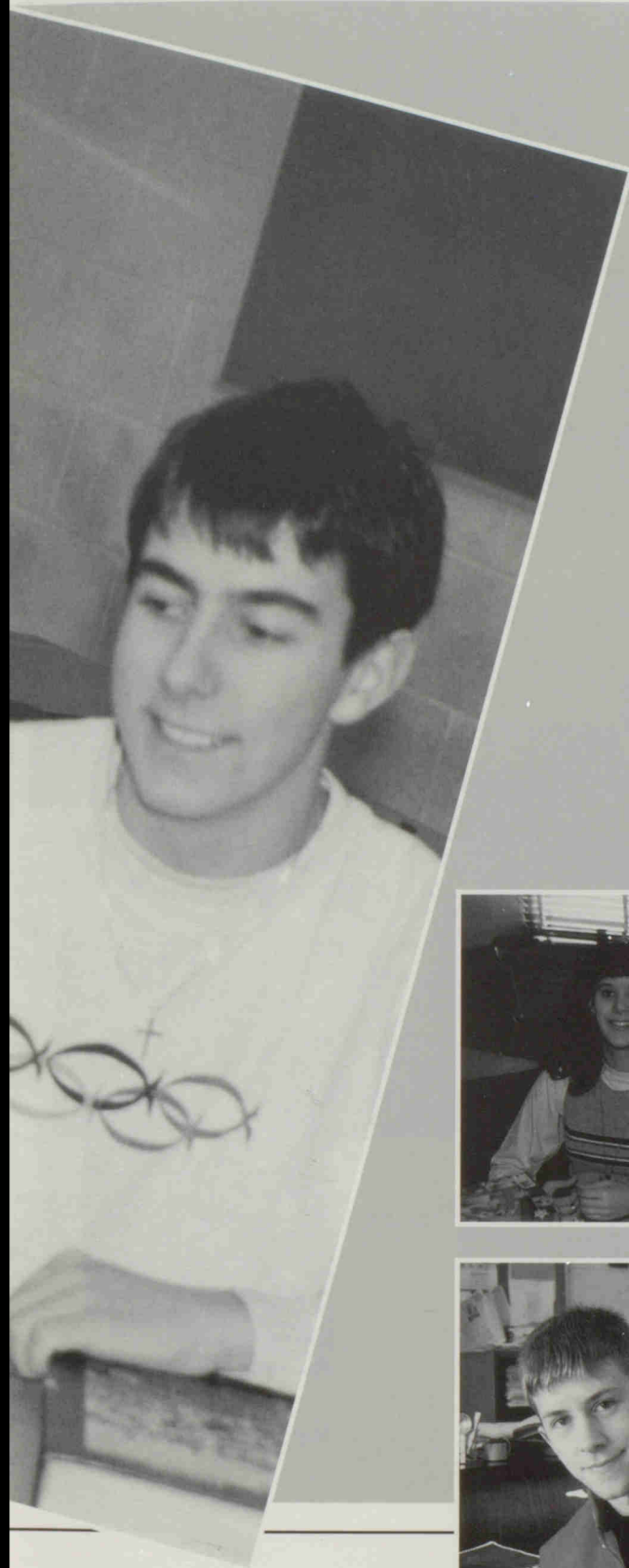
Nick Dalton writes his feelings on the chalk board during exam week. He writes, "I Love School."



With books at hand, Kathy Nichols and Travis Hermann enjoy a laugh between classes.

# Together

Completing a high school education is a lot of work, but as we see from these photographs, there are a lot of good times to be had as well. Friends, many of whom, you have known all your life, accompany you through the four years. If you need help with homework or just someone to talk to, there is someone there.



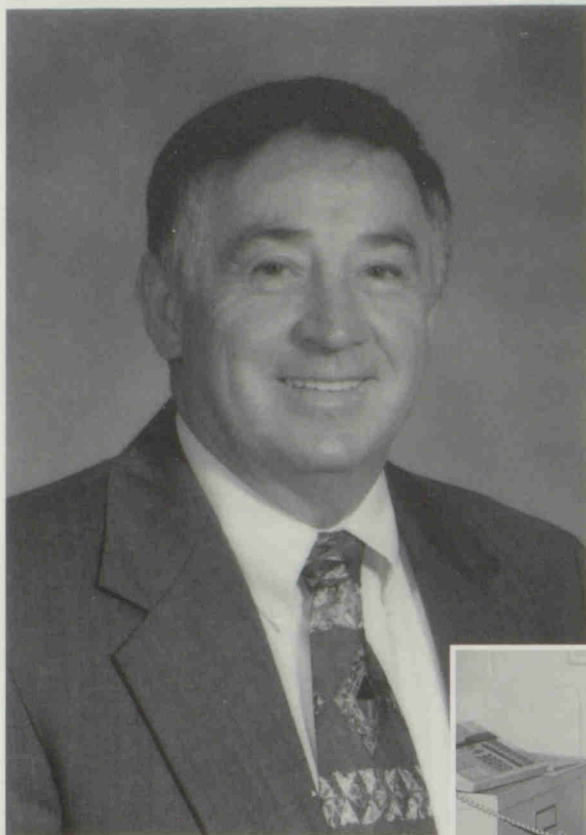
Valerie Kissack and Hollie Cherry find their seat in Mr. Cunningham's class.



Looking over his assignment, Derrick Baker gives us a smile in the biology lab.



# ADMINISTRATION



Superintendent  
Principal  
Mr. Tom Birge



Below: Mr. Birge takes another call in the course of his many duties.



Above: Chris Fink offers a cheery smile from her desk.



Above: Judy attends to one of the many details that fill her day.

When you need to get something done, the people you need to see are Judy and Chris. These two ladies have the answers to almost any question that you have concerning day to day life at Deland Weldon High School. Thanks to their tireless efforts and dedication, the school runs smoothly and everything gets done that needs to be done. Thank you to Judy and Chris for a job well done. We appreciate you.



Judy Carr  
High School Office



Chris Fink  
Superintendent's Office

## SECRETARIES

# *Deland Weldon School Board*



(L-R): Board President: Dean Bush. Board Members: Corel Owens, Debra Dalton, Nancy Remmers, Joyce Shofner, Russell Smith and Jeff Stoffer.

## Custodians



Kenneth Morris, Barbara Nichols, and Larry Plotner.

## Cooks



(L-R): Edith Baker, Carolyn Neibarger, Louis Kallembach, and Gina Leischner.

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# A Day In The Life

A typical day in the life of a DW student would be getting up at 6 or 7, taking a shower, getting on the bus or driving his or her own way to school. At school, he or she would go to class, hang out with his or her friends, and go to any extracurricular activity they may have planned.

These three portraits give you an idea of a typical day in the life of a DW student!



Left: Sam Barton and Jacob Emberton are "Just hangin out in the computer lab!"



Below: Val Cowser, Spring Leischner, and Aimee Duncan are making their "Freshman Debut!"



Right: Students at a DW girls volleyball game. GO EAGLES!!!



# Faculty Members at DeLand Weldon

When a new teacher comes to DeLand-Weldon, they come to stay! Three of our teachers have been here over 18 years. Mr. Philip Blazier (Mathematics and Physics) came to DeLand-Weldon from Illinois State University 28 years ago.

Mr. David Eatock (Biology and English) came to DeLand-Weldon from Eastern Illinois University. Mr. Eatock has been with

DeLand-Weldon for the last 26 years.

Mr. Jerry Stiverson (Science) came to DeLand-Weldon 19 years ago from Illinois State University. He has had several other teaching jobs; however, he has made our school his home.

We would like to congratulate these teachers for making DeLand-Weldon the school that it is today!!! Thank you, Mr. Blazier, Mr. Eatock, and Mr. Stiverson.



Philip Blazier: Math, Physics  
David Eatock: Biology, English  
Jerry Stiverson: Science

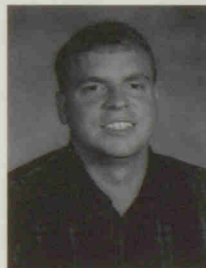
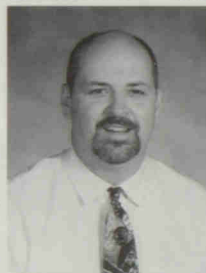
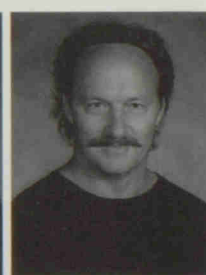
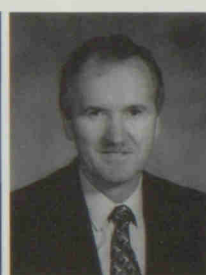
Kathy Bragg: Health, P.E., Driver's Ed  
Carolyn Brown: English, Spanish  
Larry Collins: Art, Dean of Students  
Bruce Cunningham: Social Studies, P.E.

John Harshbarger: Psychology, Guidance  
Regina Isaac: Business, Computers  
Loretta Kidd: Librarian, English  
Danielle Max: Home Economics

Jay Shatz: Social Studies  
Suzan Schlesinger: Band, Chours  
Karen Tate: English  
Randy Waddell: Mathematics

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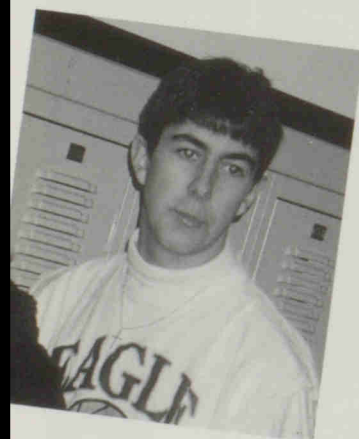
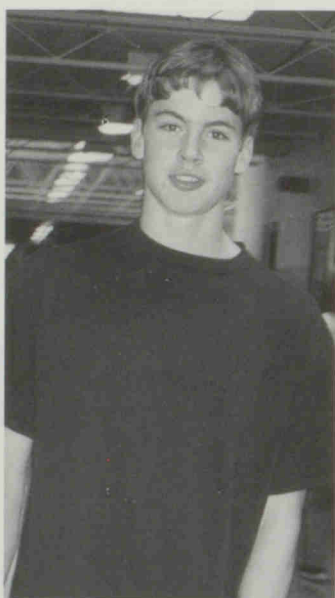
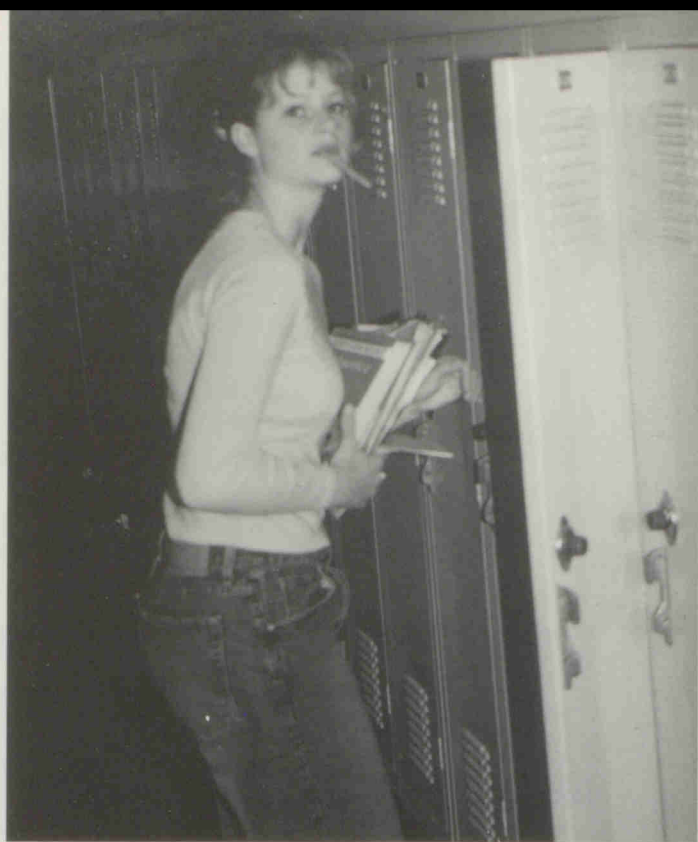
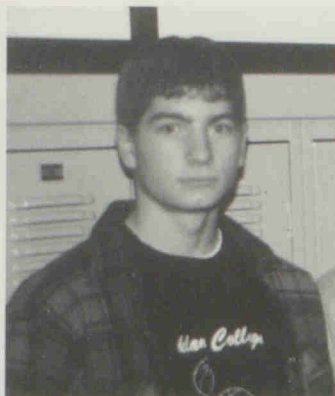
Beth Stephens: Special Education



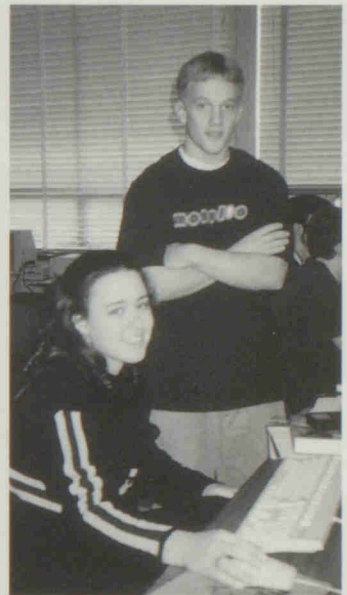
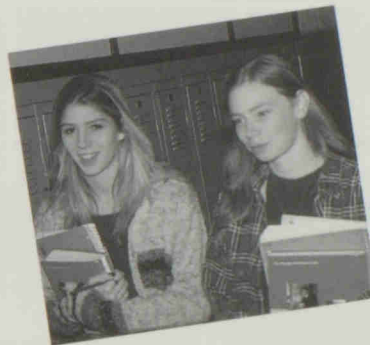
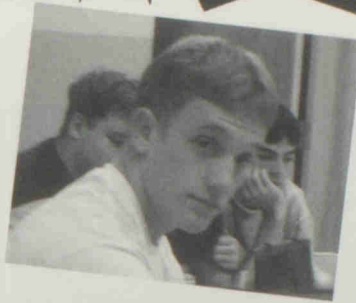
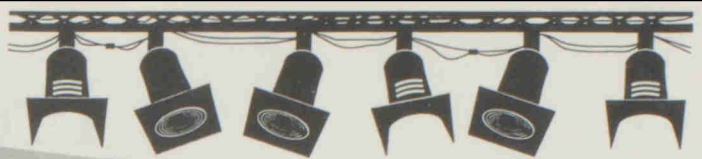
# Student Life



Here are a few pictures to help us understand what a student's life is like at DeLand-Weldon.









# Freshmen



Class Officers: Mrs. Schlesinger, Sponsor, Carly Reeder, Paula Hendricks, Mr. Schatz, Sponsor, Jesse Funderburk, Bill Johnson, Spring Leischner..

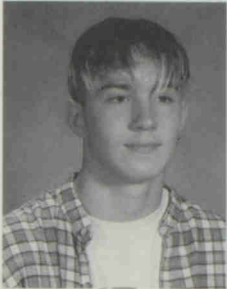
The class of 2001 has now become a part of Deland Weldon High School. Some of us have been here a while yet some of us are just arriving. Some of us will come and some of us will go yet people will still wonder about us as we make our way through the many challenges of life.



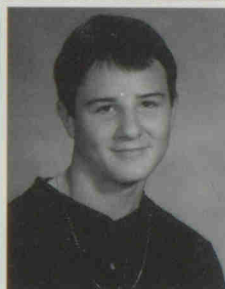
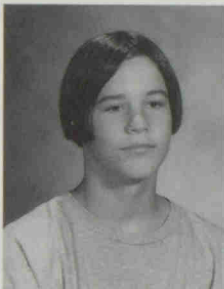
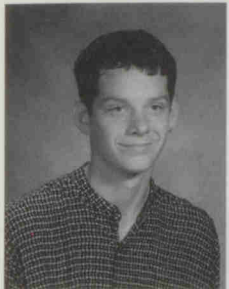
# Sophomores



Randy Bennett  
Danielle Chumbley  
Valerie Cowser  
Aimee Duncan  
Jesse Funderburk



Paula Hendricks  
Bill Johnson  
Kristy Jordan  
Spring Leischner  
Jessica Lester



Andrew Neathery  
Carly Reeder  
Matthew Thomas  
LaDonna Thompson  
Kyle Totten



Randy Bennett is waiting for the bell to ring in World Geography.

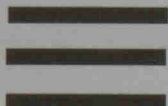


Jessica Lester and Carly Reeder are trying to have fun in Biology.



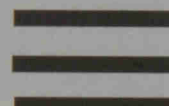
Mary Voss  
Not pictured:  
Brett Seaman

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# Sophomores

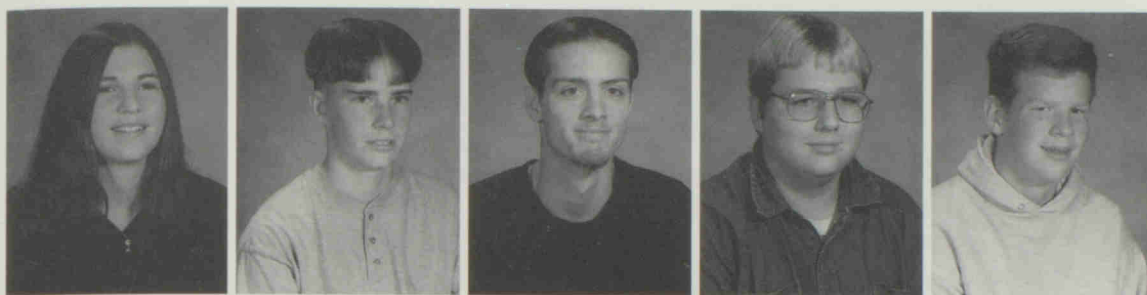


*Sophomores are the people who have been around high school long enough to know that school is serious and yet fun. While not yet upper classmen, they are an important part of the school community. . From those who play on sports teams to those who excel in academics, sophomores are people who can make things happen. Good luck to all the sophomore class.*

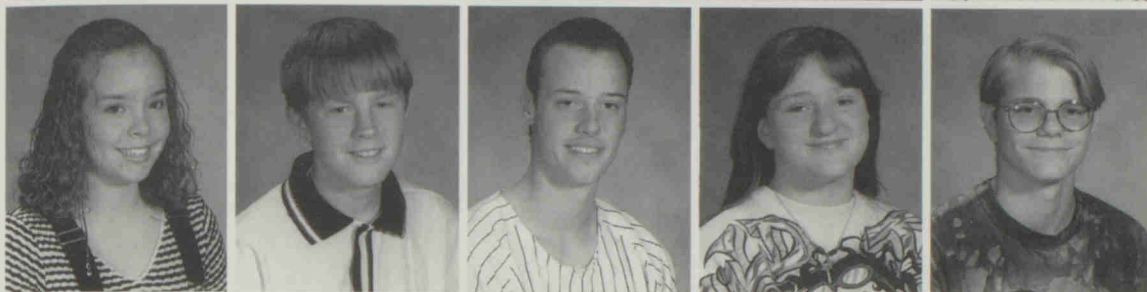
Class Officers: front row ,left to right: Becky Eshelman, Betsy Twist, Jesse Barr, and Mark Lubbers Back row: Brandy Baker Class sponsors: Mrs. Brown and Mr. Waddell.







Brandy Baker  
Jesse Barr  
Darrell Bush  
Chris Chrispen  
Chris Edrington



Rebecca Eshelman  
Joe Funderburk  
Mark Lubbers  
Katie McKinney  
Troy Shumard



Gary Thompson  
Betsy Twist  
Amanda Whisman  
Sarah Wright  
David Zipprich



Joe Funderburk goes through his locker.



David Zipprich, Chris Chrispen, and Gary Thompson sit at their desks eager to learn.



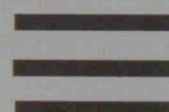
Becky Eshelman and Brandy Baker pose for the camera before class.

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# Sophomores Juniors



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etting to and through your junior year in high school is a major mile stone in your high school education. At last looked up to as an upper classman, you can begin to see the light at the end of the tunnel. In only one more year you will join the graduates of Deland Weldon High. Then it's off to whatever chosen endeavor you may wish to undertake.

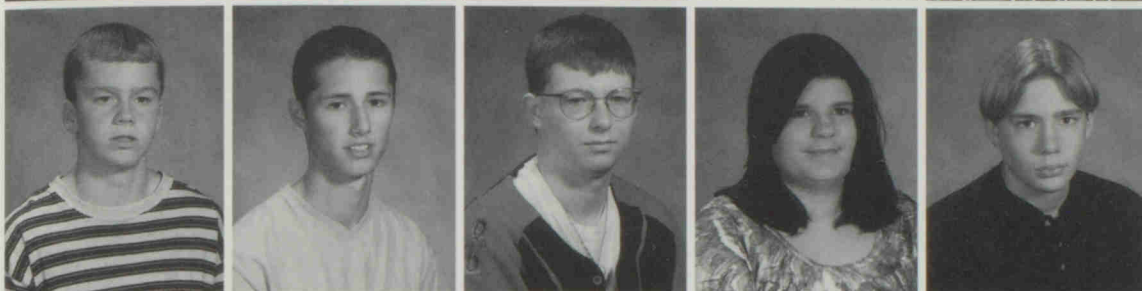
Juniors provide a vital role in school activities. This year's junior class has made a major contribution in inter-scholastic sports, social activities and academics. It is with a sense of pride that they can say, "I'm a junior."

CLASS OFFICERS: (From left to right)  
Mr. Stiverson, Miss Isaac, Jessica Krause, Jennifer Barton, Brett Hermann, Jessica Schaub, Mr. Blazier, and Nicholas Dalton.





Abby Baker  
Jennifer Barton  
Becky Bennett  
Matthew Bennett  
Tim Burton



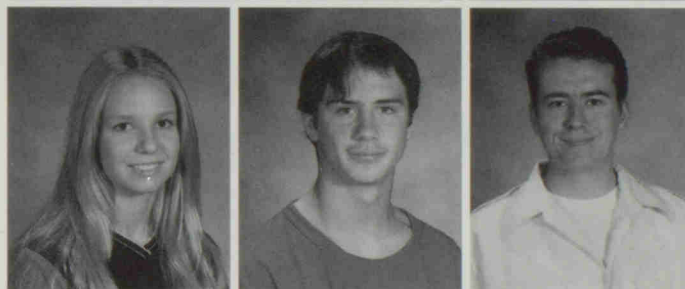
Brad Collins  
Nicholas Dalton  
Jason Davis  
Jennifer Gaskin  
Don Hager



Brett Hermann  
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Jessica Krause  
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Sara McKinney



Kathy Nichols  
Jessica Schaub  
Brandi Smith  
Dennis Smith  
Shane Strange

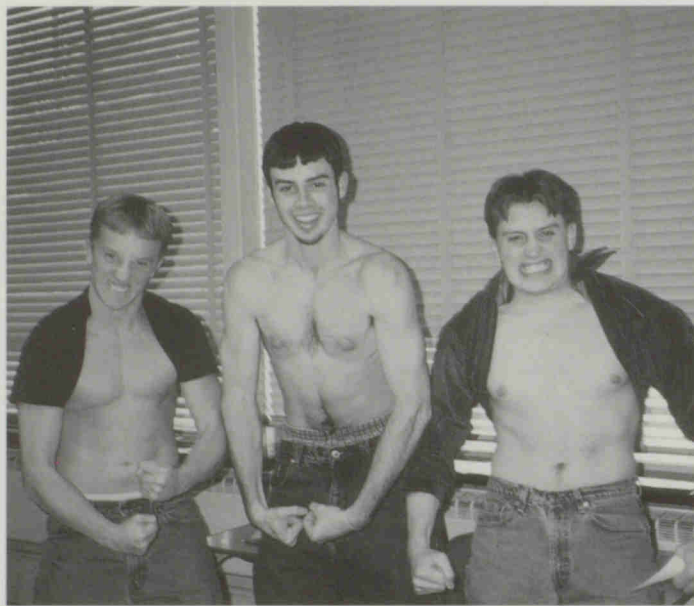


Amanda Thorman  
Jarrett Totten  
Brandon Whisman

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# Senior Class of 1998



## Last Ride

My friends signed this yearbook when we took our last ride to high school. I put it safely away to keep. In a few days, I will show these pictures to my children. The day after that, I will show my grandchildren. For them, it will be a millennium ago. For me, it will be just yesterday.

Senior Class Officers and Sponsors:  
(L to R) Ms. Loretta Kidd, Mrs. Kathy Bragg, Megan Reeser, Travis Hermann, Jacob Emberton, Michael Twist and Mr. David Eatock







Joy Aguilera



Marikay Altes



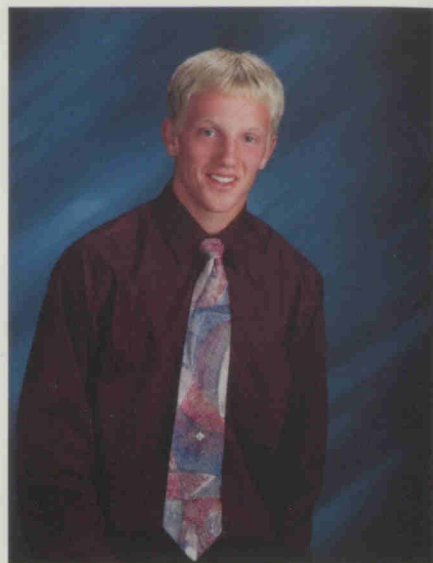
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Amanda Baker



Derek Baker



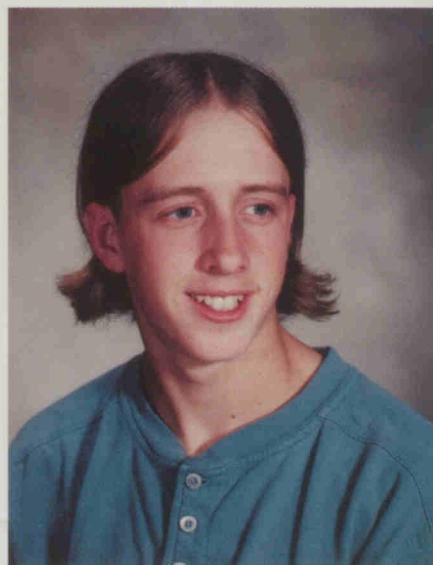
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Ami Brinkman



Jamie Bush



Heath Conover

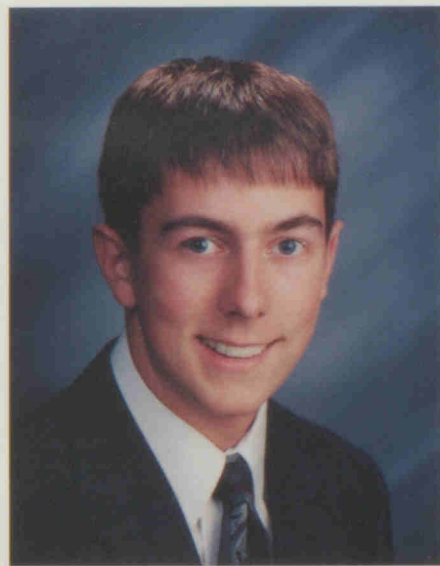




Carrie Crozier



Patrick Edrington



Travis Hermann



Valerie Kissack



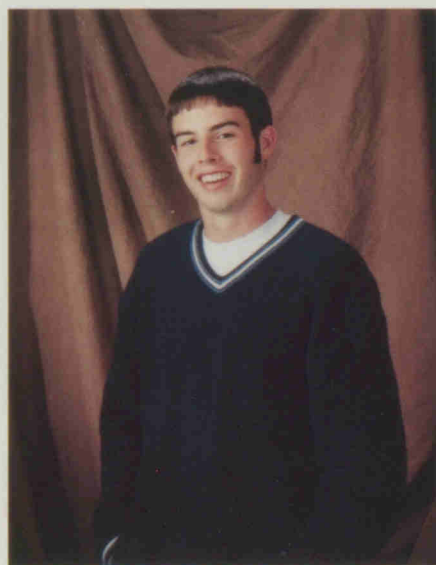
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Megan Reeser



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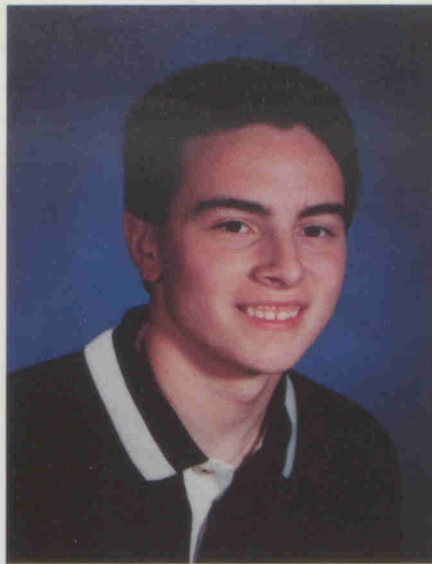
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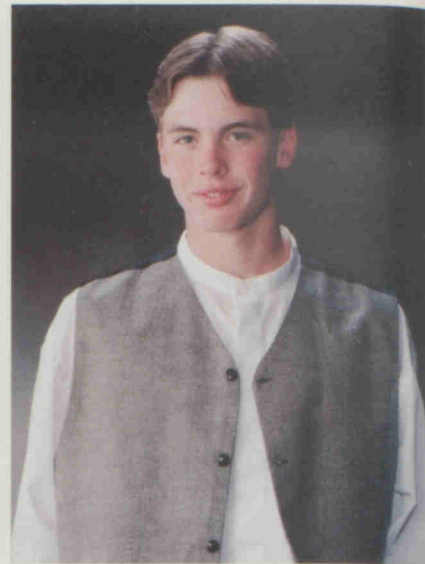
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Garin White



Chase Woods



Jennifer Fisher



Hollie Cherry



Jacob Emberton

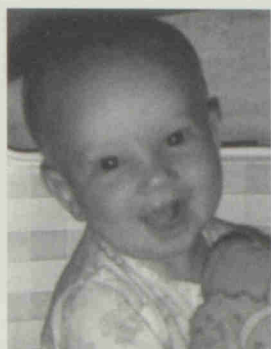


# Senior Baby Pictures

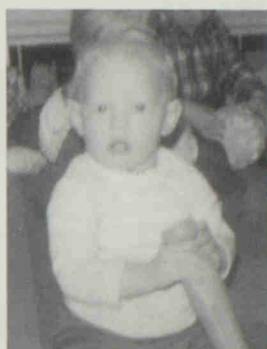
Look at the fabulous faces below and smile. It is amazing how big and grown up we are now that we are seniors. Off to college, off to work, and off to life. Hey, wait and minute, I'm still a kid at heart!



*Amanda Baker*



*Sam Barton*



*Jamie Bush*



*Hollie Cherry*



*Carrie Crozier*



*Jennifer Fisher*



*Travis Hermann*



*Valerie Kissack*



*Megan Reeser*



*Jarah Roos*



*Ryan Sosamon*



*Garin White*



*Chase Woods*





# Senior Stats, Class of 1998

## Joy Lynn Aguilera

### Marikay Lynn Altes

Basketball 1,2,3,4

### Alvin Ray Baker

Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Scholastic Bowl 3,4  
Lifesavers 4  
Class Secretary 3  
Math Contest 2,4

### Amanda Nicolette Baker

Volleyball 1,2,3,4  
Yearbook 1,2,3,4  
Scholastic Bowl 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 1,2,4  
Student Council 4  
SC Vice President 4  
Musical 1  
Class Treasurer 1,2,3  
National Honor Society 2,3,4  
Math Contest 1,4

### Derek Scott Baker

### Samuel Weldon Barton

Basketball 1,2,3  
Football 1,2,3,4  
Track 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 1,2,3,4

### Ami Elizabeth Brinkman

### Jamie Marie Bush

Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Volleyball 1,2,3,4  
Cheerleading 1,2,3,4  
Softball 3  
Yearbook 3  
Lifesavers 4

### Hollie Noel Cherry

Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Volleyball 3  
Track 1,2,3,4  
Yearbook 1,2,3  
Lifesavers 4  
Band 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 1,2,3,4  
Play 3  
Cheerleading 1,2

## Richard Heath Conover

### Carrie Michelle Crozier

Track 1,2,3,4  
Volleyball 1,2,3,4  
Homecoming Attendant 1  
Yearbook 3,4  
Student Council 3

### Patrick Walter Eugene

#### Edrington

### Jacob James Emberton

Track 1,2,3,4  
Scholastic Bowl 3,4  
Chorus 1,2,3,4  
Lifesavers 1,2,4  
Football 1  
Lifesavers treasurer 1  
Class VP 3,4  
Student Council 3,4

### Jennifer Diane Fisher

Volleyball 1,2,3,4  
Lifesavers 1,2,4  
Honor roll 4

### Phillip Travis Hermann

Chorus 1,2,3,4  
Band 2,3,4  
Class President 4  
Student Council President 4  
IMEA Honors Choir 4  
Lifesavers 1,2,3,4  
Yearbook 4

### Valerie Ann Kissack

Basketball 1,2  
Volleyball 1,2,3,4  
Yearbook 2,3  
Lifesavers 4  
Band 1,2,3  
Chorus 1,2,3,4  
Play 1,2,3,4  
Band/Chorus Secretary 3

### Richard Wayne Martin

### Leah Megan Reeser

Volleyball 1,2  
Cheerleading 2  
Band/Chorus 1,2,3,4  
Student Council 1,3

Class Treasurer 4

Class VP 1

Band VP 3

Yearbook 1,2

Lifesavers 3,4

Lifesavers President 4

Scholastic Bowl 1,2,3,4

Musical 1

### Jarah Kristin Roos

Class Sec. 1

Class VP 2

Student Council 2,4

Student Council Treasurer 4

Yearbook 2,3

Lifesavers 4

Lifesavers Sec./Treasurer 4

National Honor Society 3,4

Volleyball 1,2,3,4

Basketball 1,2,3,4

Track 1,2,3,4

### Timothy Michael Smith

### Ryan Douglas Sosamon

Basketball 1,2,3,4

Golf 1,2,3

Track 4

Scholastic Bowl 1,2,3,4

Musical 1

Chorus 1,2,3,4

Lifesavers 4

National Honor Society 3,4

### Michael Stephen Twist

Basketball 1,2,3,4

Scholastic Bowl 1,2,3,4

Lifesavers 4

Class Secretary 4

National Honor Society 3,4

Play/Musical 1,2,3

IMEA District Choir 4

Solo Ensemble 1,2,3,4

Math Contest 2,4

### Garin Kyle White

Basketball 1,2,3,4

Band/Chorus 1,2,3,4

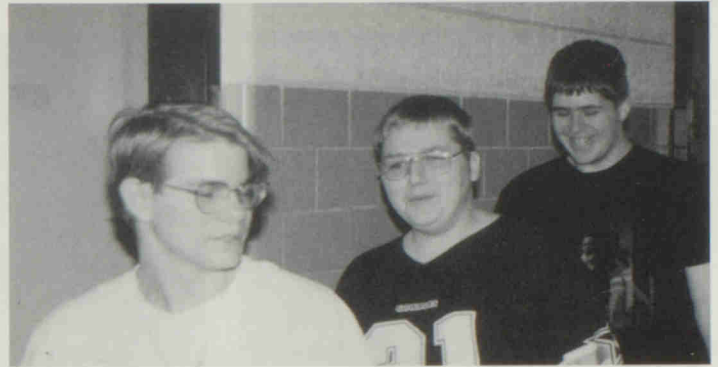
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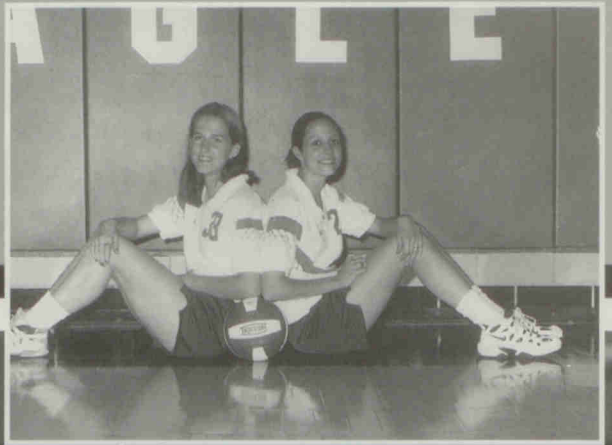
Lifesavers 4

### Chase Allen Woods

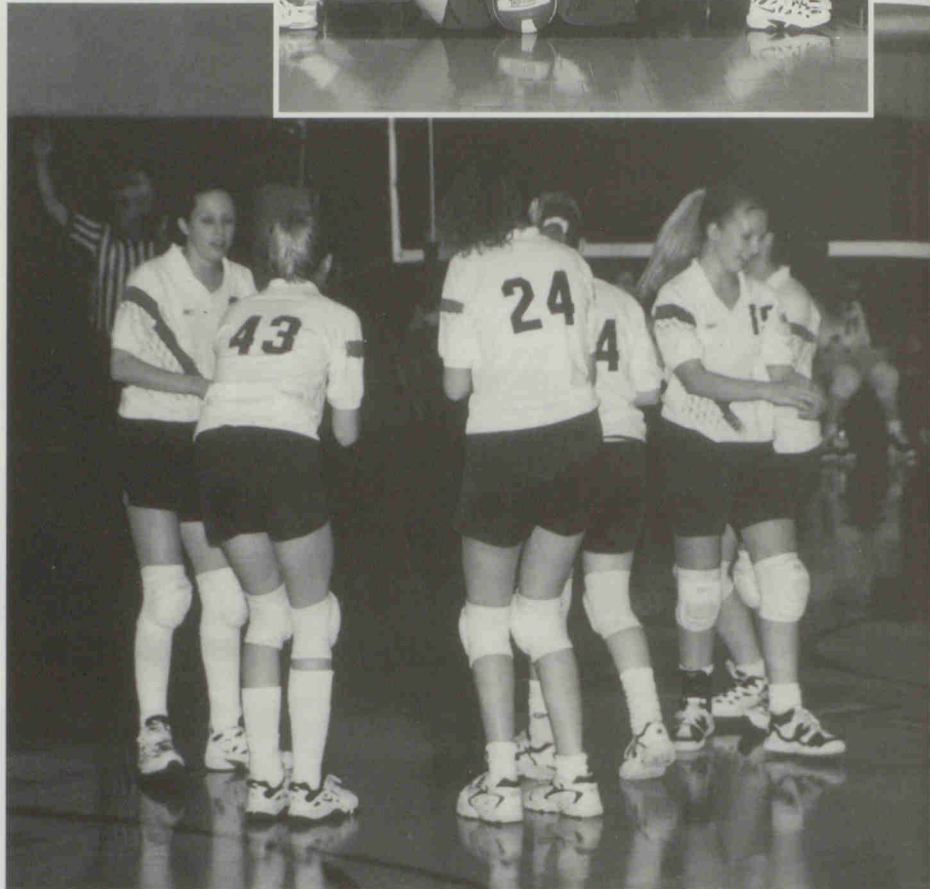
# Candids at DWHS



Team Captains, Sara McKinney and Jennifer Fisher pose for a formal photograph



Above: Sara McKinney goes up for a spike during warm-ups.



Above Right: Varsity Team members congratulate each other for the point they just received.

Right back row: J.V. members are Coach Wallace, Jennifer Barton, Sara McKinney, Kristi Jordon, Paula Hendrix, Assistant Coach Winstead, and front row are: Betsy Twist, LaDonna Thompson, Brandi Smith, and Jessica Krause





# Volleyball

They gave 100%  
Coach Wallace

## Effort leads the way for successful season

The 1997-98 Volleyball Season was very competitive for the Lady Eagles. the J.V. team had a winning record of 10-5. These girls gave 100% effort in each match. The Varsity team had some tough competition this season which they handled very well. They participated in three tournaments, The Eagle Classic, the Morrisonville Invitational, and the Meridian Conference. Carrie Crozier was named to the All-Tournament Team at the Morrisonville Invitational.

### J.V. AWARDS

Brandi Smith,  
Serve Receive Award.  
Jennifer Barton,  
Blocking Award  
Jessica Krause,  
Setting Award  
Sara McKinney,  
Serving Award & Spiking

### VARSITY AWARDS

Jarah Roos,  
Serving Award  
Jamie Bush,  
Setting Award  
Carrie Crozier,  
Blocking Award  
Jennifer Fisher,  
Serve, Receive, and Spiking  
Award.

Above left: Carrie Crozier goes up for the kill while Amanda Thorman and Jamie Bush cover her.

Varsity team back row: Coach Wallace, Sara McKinney, Carrie Crozier, Valerie Kissack, Jennifer Fisher, Jarah Roos, Amanda Baker, and Assistant Coach Winstead

It's how you play  
the game.

# Girls Basketball

## Squad succeeds with determination and desire

The girls basketball team in 97-98 played with a lot of heart. The team represented our school spirit very well with their never give up attitude. The opportunity for interscholastic competition brought a lot of challenges and a whole lot of fun and good times for all the girls.

Although the team was small in number, the games were competitive and fun to watch. The team made progress as the year went along and everyone was very proud of the effort the girls put forth.

Right: Marikay Altes tries to get rid of the ball before her opponent steals it.

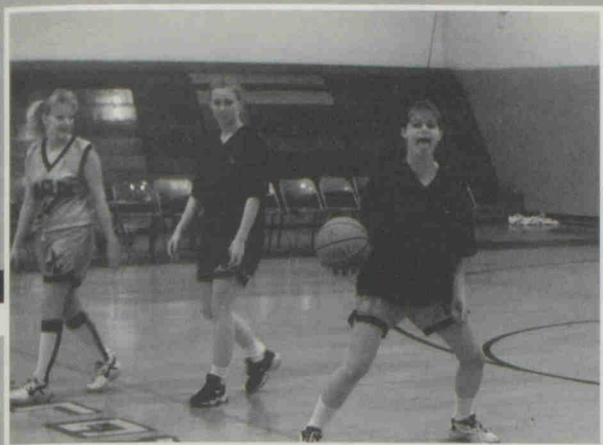


Above: The team huddles before the game starts.

Right: The girls with their parents on parents night.







Hollie Cherry gets pumped up before the game with Jamie and Mairkay looking at her thinking she is crazy



Players from left to right: Betsy Twist, Jessica Krause, Jamie Bush, Hollie Cherry, Paula Hendrix, Jarah Roos, Sara McKinney, Marikay Altes, LaDonna Thompson, and Coach Regina Isaac.



Left: Sara McKinney goes up for the lay-up.

Above Left: Seniors opening their gifts from Coach Isaac on Senior Night.



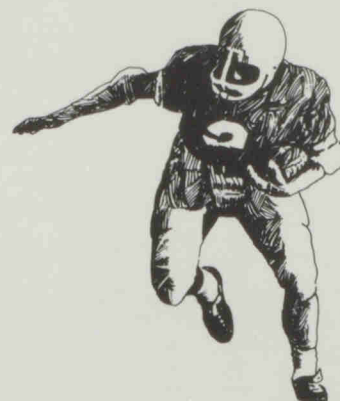
# Coop Football

Right: Senior, Sam Barton poses for the camera with Friday night football on his mind.

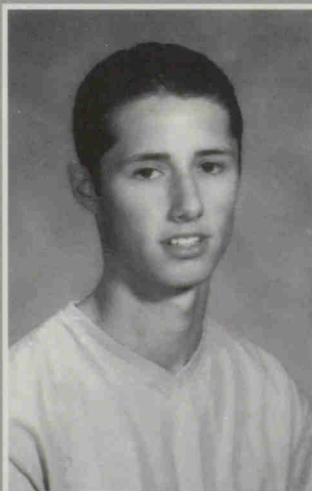
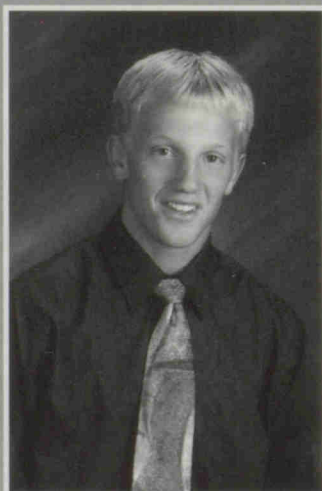
Below: Nick Dalton eyes the camera in the swirl of gametime.



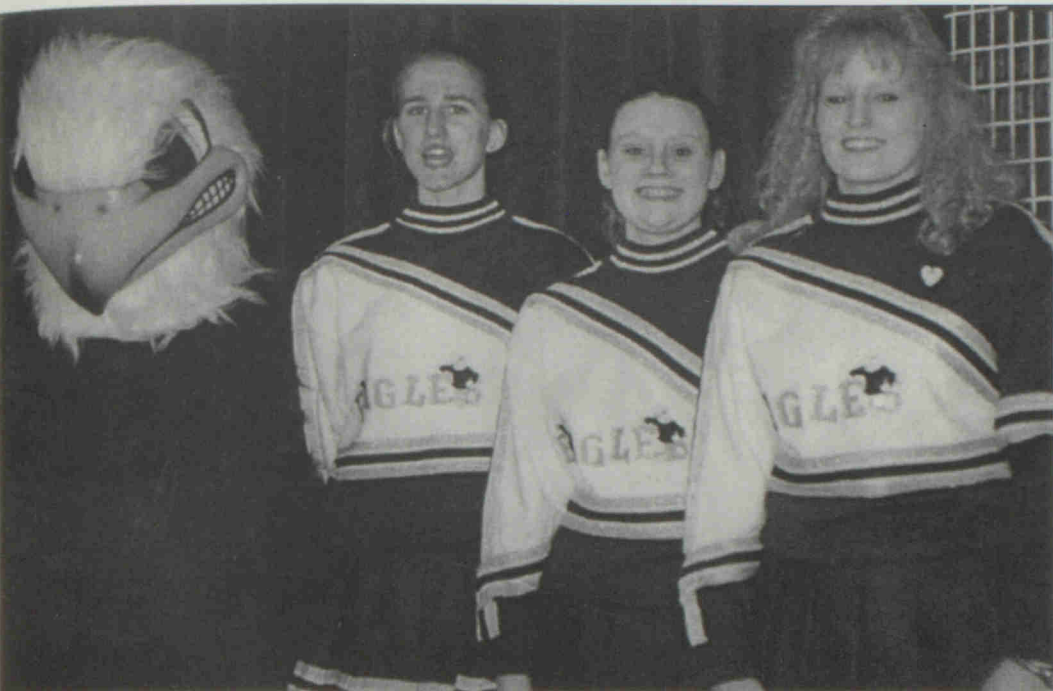
Below: Jesse Funderburk takes a breather.



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# Cheerleaders



Left: The Eagle (Kathy Nichols), Sara McKinney, Sara Wright, Jamie Bush

Below: Sara oversees a Homecoming wall deck.



Above: The hometown crowd gathers to cheer the Eagles on to victory.



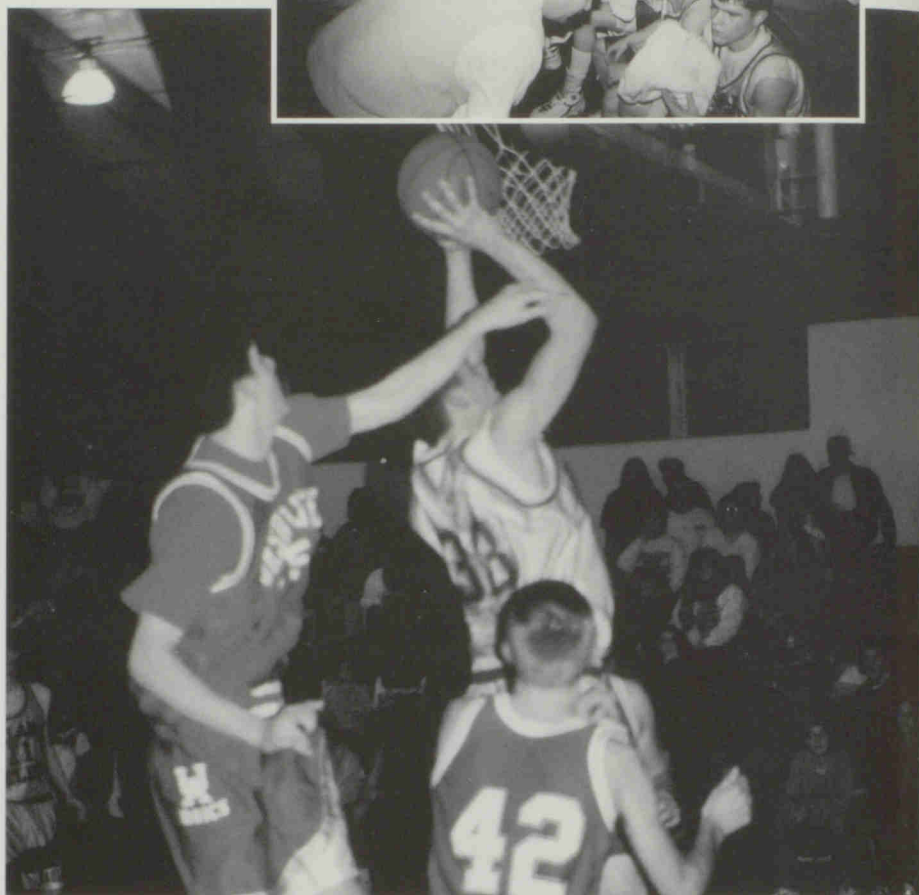
## Go Eagles!

Right: Coach Corey talks to the varsity squad during a time out so the Eagles strategy will win the game.



Above: Nick releases the free throw and the shot goes down with Dennis Smith's approval.

Above Right: Shane Strange puts in two more points on the night as his opponent tries in vain to block his shot.



JV Team L-R: Travis Hermann, Manager, Randy Bennett, Bill Johnson, Gary Thompson, Mark Lubbers, David Zipprich, Andy Neathery, Nick Dalton, Matt Bennett, Dennis Smith, Joe Fundeburk, Center: Coaches Gerry Stiverson and Russ Corey





# Boys Basketball

The season demonstrated major strides forward  
- Coach Corey

## Practice And Determination Is What D-W Is About

The basketball team this year had a successful season. They completed the season with a 12 and 13 record. Many of these games, wins and losses, came down to the last few seconds ticking away on the clock. Coach Correy and Coach Stiverson worked the team pretty hard in practice. They emphasized defense, rebounding, playing the WHOLE game.

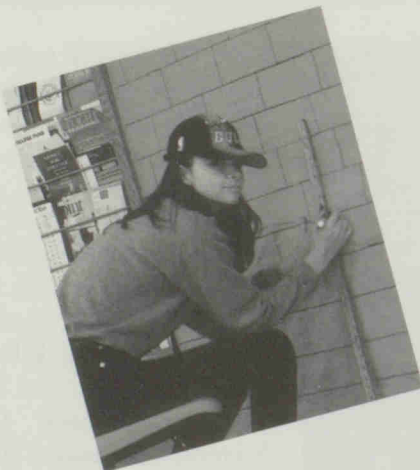
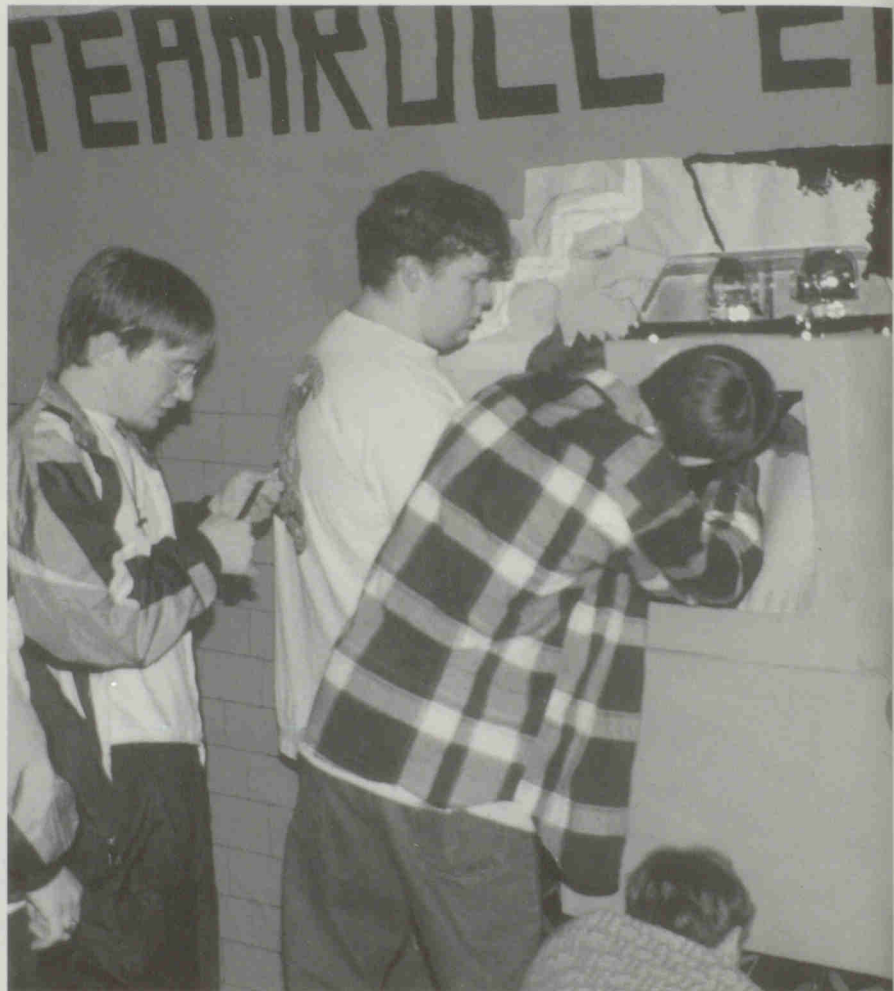
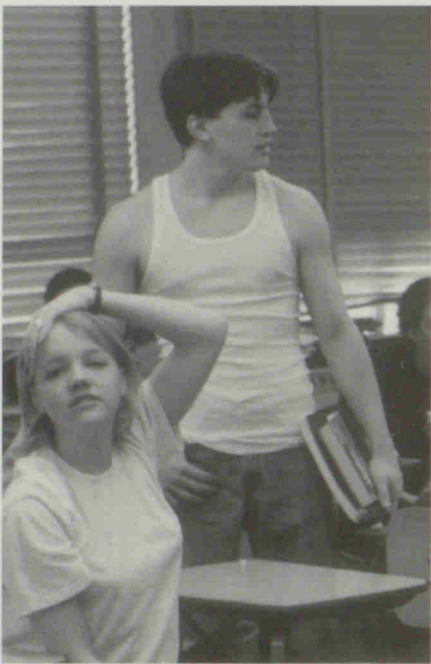
The Junior Varsity team did not do as well as anticipated. They practiced hard and in most cases, played like they practiced. Most of the Junior Varsity players will move on to take a Varsity roll next year. So, let's hope that the new Junior Varsity teams has a little more luck. Good job Junior Varsity players and Varsity players. You gave the crowd interesting and exciting games to watch!!!

Left: The Varsity team does their game huddle before tip-off. This has become a ritual with the group.

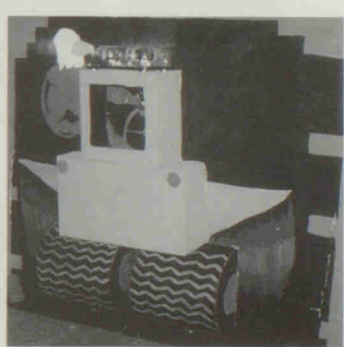
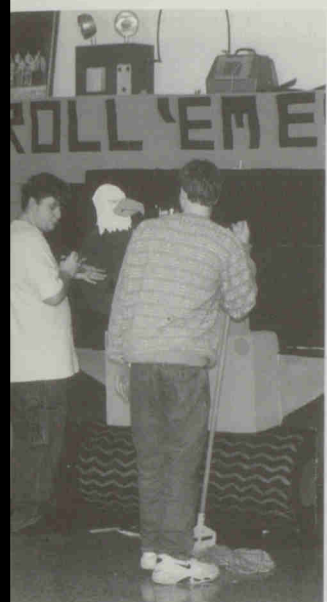
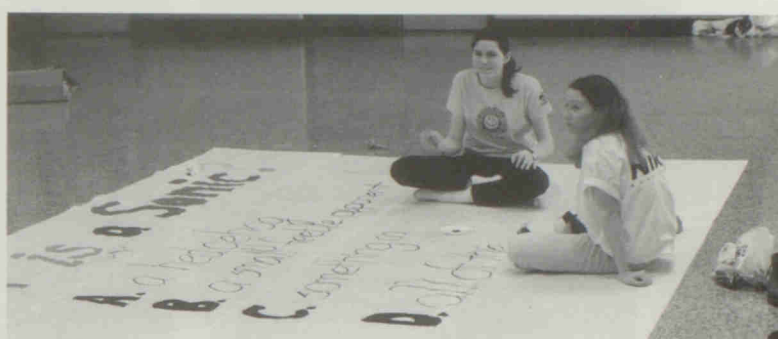
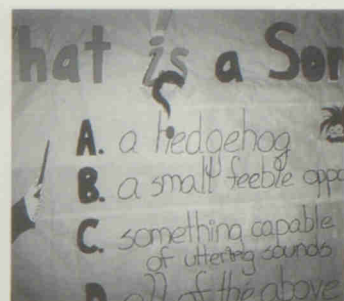
Varsity Team L-R: Brad Collins, Brett Hermann, Garin White, Chase Woods, Andy Neathery, Ryan Sosaman, Shane Strange, Nick Dalton, Alvin Baker, Michael Twist, Center: Coach Gerry Stiverson, Manager Travis Hermann, Coach Russ Corey



# Students Prepare for Homecoming



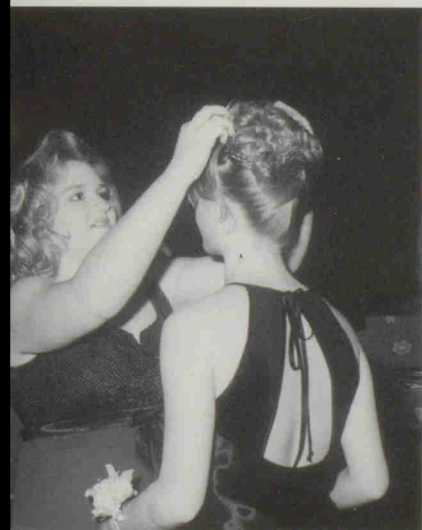
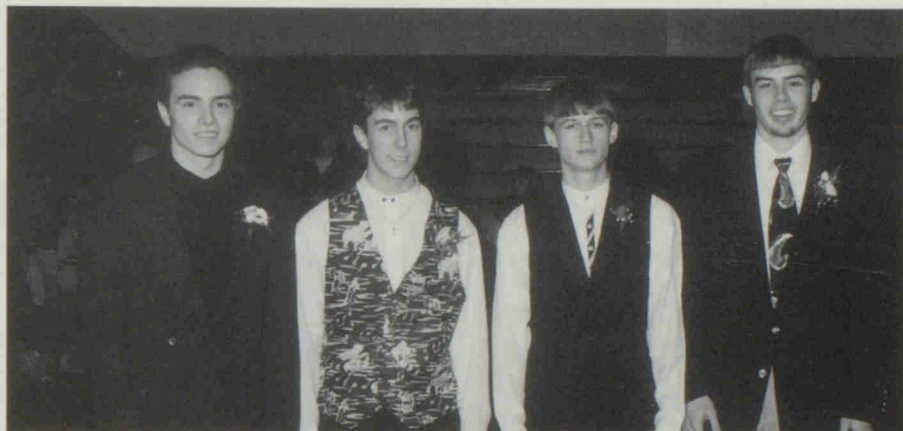
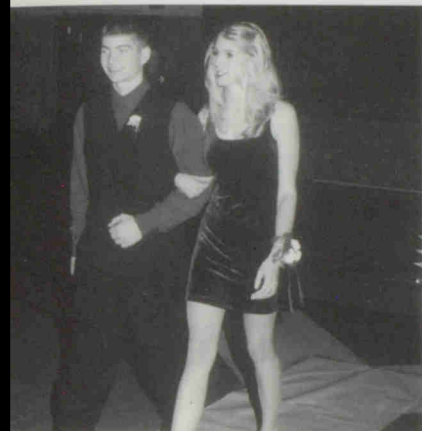
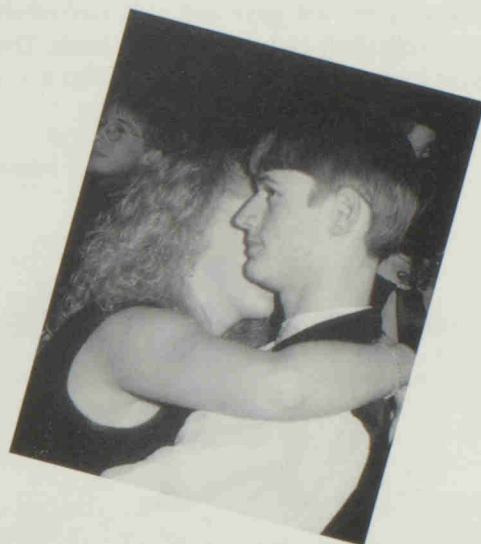






# Homecoming Dance







# 1998 Athletic Banquet

The 1998 Athletic Banquet was a lot of fun! People got awards in all of our sports. These sports are guys and girls basketball, girls volleyball, and guys and girls track. This year football was the only co-op sport in our school.



Below: Travis Hermann, Manager, Shane Strange, Brett Hermann, Brad Collins, Chase Woods, Garin White, Micheal Twist, Ryan Sosamon, and Alvin Baker.



Above: LaDonna Thompson, Paula Hendricks, Betsy Twist, Sara McKinny, Jessica Krause, Jamie Bush, Hollie Cherry, and Jarah Roos are posing for girls basketball.

Above-Right: Brett Hermann, Chase Woods, Jacob Emberton, Garin White, Ryan Sosamon, Sam Barton all pose for the camera.

Right: Besty Twist, Amanda Thorman, Jennifer Fisher, Valerie Kissack, Amamda Baker, Jarah Roos, Jamie Bush, and Carrie Crozier just received there letters for girls varsity volleyball.



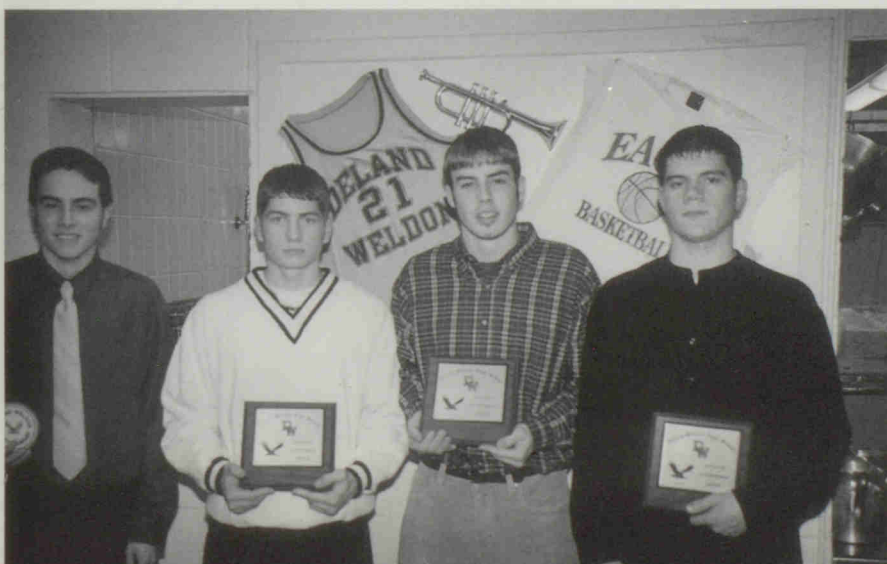


Below: Andrew Neathery, Randy Bennett, David Zipprich, Gary Thompson, Mark Lubbers, Matt Bennett, and Nick Dalton are the junior varsity guys basketball team.



Below Left: Relatives of the students who attended the Athletic Banquet.

Below: Kristi Jordon, LaDonna Thompson, Paula Hendricks, Sara McKinney, Jessica Krause, Brandi Smith, and Jennifer Barton are the junior varsity volleyball team.



Left: Garin White receives good sportsmanship award, Brett Hermann, Ryan Sosamon, Shane Strange all receive basketball plaques.

# Girls Track 1998

Track Team: Back- Mr. Baker, Coach, Jarah Roos, Carley Reeder, Carrie Crozier, Hollie Cherry, Sara McKinney, Jennifer Barton, Front-Spring Leischner, Betsy Twist, LaDonna Thompson, Becky Bennett

Below: Sara McKinney waits to high jump as Jen Barton Watches



Above: Jarah, Becky, and Carrie stretch out for their events to prevent any accidents

Above right: Betsy, Hollie, Spring, and Carrie stand together waiting to run their 800 medley



Above: Jarah walks by looking pretty for the camera

Right: Carrie hands off to Sara in the 4X100 meter relay.





# Boys Track 1998



Track Team: Back- Mr. Waddell, L-R- Sam Barton, Brett Hermann, Jacob Emberton, Bradley Collins, Mark Lubbers, Ryan Sosamon, Jessee Funderburk, Gary Thompson, Dennis Smith

Below: Jesse and Sam stand next to Mr. Waddell and discuss their events



Above: DWHS relay team, Jesse, Brett, Brad and Jacob feel the need - the need for speed.



Left: Brett Hermann hands off the baton to Brad Collins in the 4X100 meter relay at Monticello.

Left: Ryan grunts as he throws the shot put. How do you do that?!



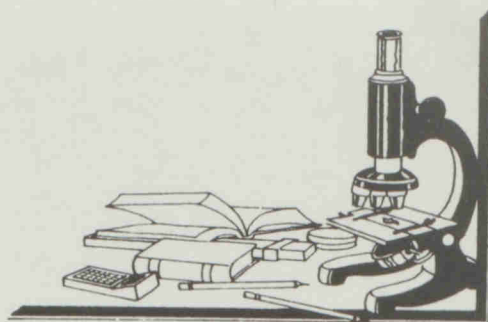


Yearbook Club: Back row: Mr. Collins, Dennis Smith, Amanda Baker, Carrie Crozier, Sara McKinney, Kathy Nichols, Rick Martin. Front Row: Jessica Lester, Spring Leischner, Aimee Duncan, Joe Funderburk, Travis Hermann, Carly Reeder.

# *Yearbook Club*

# *Student Council*

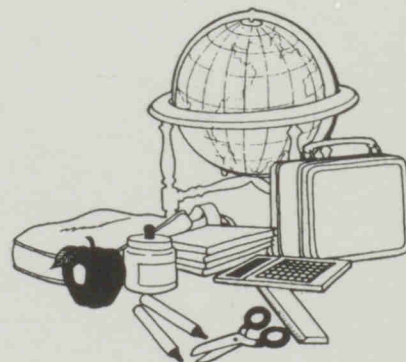
# *Lifesavers Club*



Above: Student Council. Back row: Betsy Twist, Carly Reeder, Jesse Funderburk, Mark Lubbers, Mrs. Favris. Middle Row: Dennis Smith, Jennifer Barton, Nick Dalton, Jessica Krause, Amanda Thorman. Front Row: Michael Twist, Amanda Baker, Travis Hermann, Jacob Emberton, Sam Barton.



Above: Lifesavers: Row 1: Megan Reeser, Michael Twist, Amanda Thorman. 2nd Row: Valerie Crowser, Paula Hendricks, Katie McKinney, Sara Wright, Ladonna Thompson, Jessica Krause. 3rd Row: Travis Hermann, Alvin Baker, Jamie Bush, Sam Barton, Betsy Twist, Mr. Harshbarger. 4th Row: Hollie Cherry, Jacob Emberton, Valerie Kissack, Garin White, Chase Woods, Brandon Wiseman, Ryan Sosamon.



# Scholastic Bowl

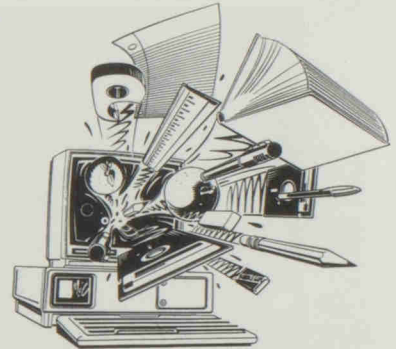


Varsity: Left to right, Amanda Baker, Ryan Sosamon, Alvin Baker, Megan Reeser, Jacob Emberton and Mr. Harshbarger, Coach.

The scholastic team from Deland Weldon was well represented with some of our best students. Although our school is small in size, we are not small when it comes to intelligence and the ability to compete in the academic arena. This was proven again this year with the successes of the Scholastic Bowl team. Congratulations on a good season.



Right: The J.V. squad receives recognition in the awards assembly.



Above: Entire team poses. Back row: Brett Hermann, Ryan Sosamon, Amanda Baker, Alvin Baker, Jennifer Barton, Megan Reeser, Jacob Emberton, Mr. Harshbarger. Front Row: Jesse Barr, Mary Voss, Becky Bennett, Paula Hendricks, Valerie Cowser, Betsy Twist.



Above: The team receives recognition in the annual awards assembly at DWHS.



Right: DWHS chorus presenting American Pop in their first performance before leaving to perform at Disney World in Florida

Far Right: After months of practice and preparation, the production for Disney World is presented to the community.



Above: The band plays a famous Chicago song in performance at DWHS.

Right: The band performs for half time entertainment during homecoming.







Students pause for a few words of encouragement from Mrs. Schlesinger



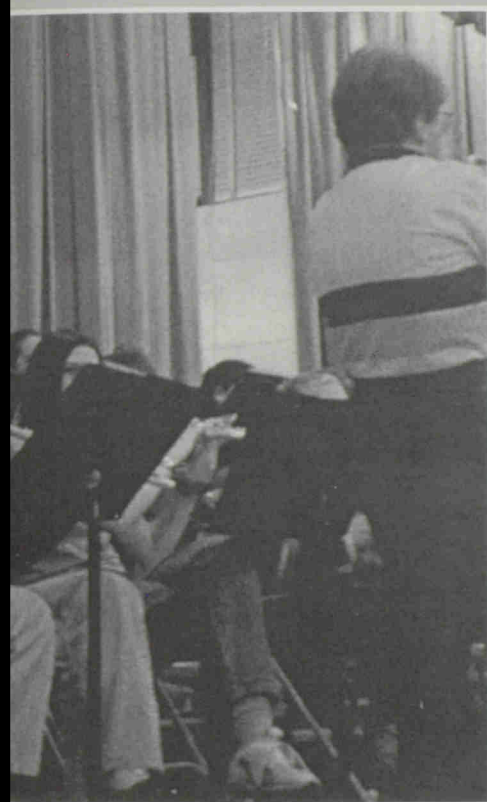
Below: The rhythm and keyboard section of the DWHS band.



## Band and Chorus

The major event of the year for band and chorus was the once in a lifetime trip to perform at Disney World in Florida.

Thanks to the hard work of Mrs. Schlesinger and the long hours of practice by students, the performance and trip were a wonderful success.



Brandi, Kathy Jennifer and Sara dance to the sounds of American Bandstand during the dress rehearsal at DWHS

# Chorus and Band at Disney World

A trip of a lifetime came true for members of the DeLand Weldon chorus and band as they traveled to Florida to entertain the crowds at Disney World. But as you can see, not every minute was spent in practicing or performing. There were a lot of times for fun and frivolity as these pictures suggest. This experience is something that will always be remembered by those involved.



ABOVE: Jennifer, Betsy, Sara and Kathy splish splash down the water slide.



RIGHT: Fabulous fantasy architecture at Disney World.



ABOVE: Jennifer, Brad and Matt take a ride in the cup and saucer. Hang on!



ABOVE: You can see the spirit of community as DWS students hang together in the Florida fun and sun.

RIGHT: Who's that zooming by on that water propelled seat? It's a bird it's a plane, no, it's someone we know.




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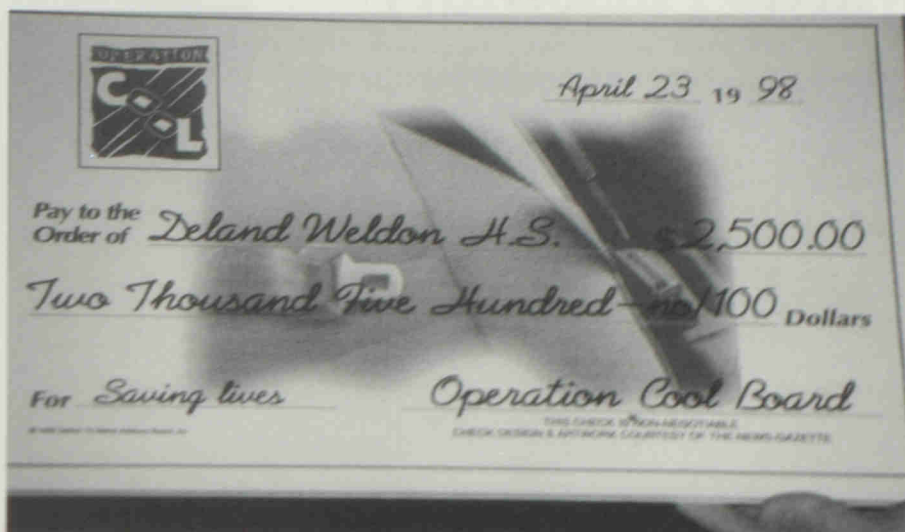
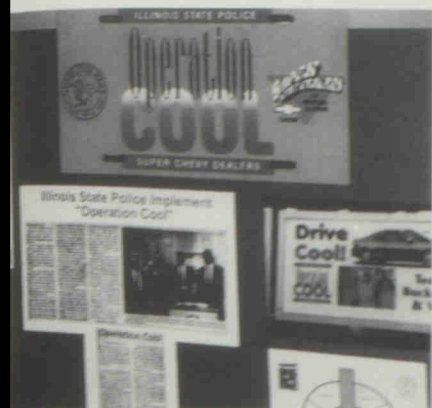
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# Operation Cool Pays Big Dividends

LEFT: An Operation Cool Display at the awards assembly in April of 98.

Below: The DeLand-Weldon Junior and Senior Classes recieved \$2,500 for an 87% seatbelt rate.



ABOVE: Valerie Kissack's car is totaled in an accident involving a semi truck in February. Val is glad she was buckled up for the ride of her life!

LEFT: A van that was broad-sided by a garbage truck and rolled 3 times. The driver was unharmed because he was buckled up.

BELOW: D-W students and parents attend the awards program for Operation Cool in April.



ABOVE: Travis Hemmann and Beandi Smith have their picture taken with Trooper Nash, the Illinois State Police officer, the contact person for Operation Cool in our school.

LEFT: Travis Hemmann and Trooper Nash.





# Awards Assembly



Brett and Don receive Boys State



Kathy and Becky receive Girls State



Above: Perfect attendance wins Jennifer Barton an award.



Above: Megan, Paula and Troy receive typing awards for speed and accuracy.

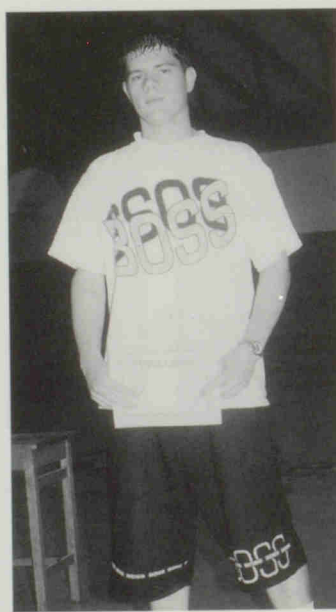
Right: Travis Hermann is recognized for serving as student council president for the year.



Above: Mr. Blazier presents numerous math awards



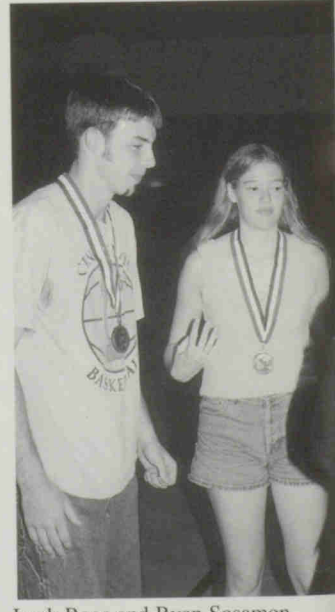
Jarrah Roos and Sam Barton receive the student athlete awards.



Shane Strange was named to the Meridian All Conference Team for Boys Basketball.



Jarrah Roos and Alvin Baker were named student athletes in the Meridian Conference



Jarrah Roos and Ryan Sosamon received the Army's scholar/athlete awards.

# *Soaring Above and Beyond*



*Congratulations!*

## Honors Reception

Below: Students recognized for their achievement in national honors. Alvin Baker, Jamie Bush, Becky Bennett, Jennifer Barton, Brandi Smith. Members of National honor society, Garin White, Michael Twist, Ryan Sosamon, Jarah Roos, Marikay Altes and Amanda Baker.



Above Left: Students gather to be presented with honors and recognition for their academic achievements.

Above: Mr. Harshbarger presents at the National Honor Society event.

Left: Afterward, some cake, fun and laughter seem to round out the evening just about right.





# Prom 1998

The Junior Class of '99' put on a prom at The Farmer City Woodlawn Country Club. The Theme this year was I'll Take You There. The room was decorated with blue and gold shooting stars and balloons. Meals consisted of chicken cordon bleu and roast beef. Music was provided by Music in Montion.

This years' Prom Queen was Carrie Crozier. The Prom King was Sam Barton.

The Senior enjoyed their last Prom together. Everyone had a BLAST!!!

Below: Hollie Cherry and Patrick Edrington saying the Senior Prophecies.



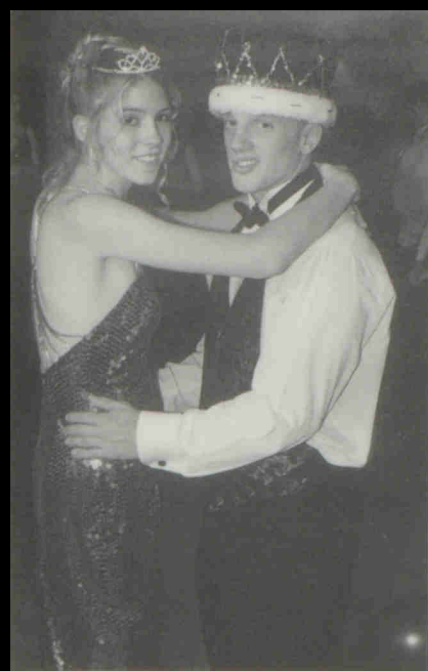
Above: Travis Hermann's Date, Kristen, Jacqui Bush and Garin White. In the back ground there is Chase Woods, Tracey Benson, Matt Bennett, Wes Hiter, and Pat Edrington.

Above right: Sam Barton, King is getting crowned by Brett Hermann.

Right: Brett Hermann and Jennifer Barton are announcing the Senior Wills.



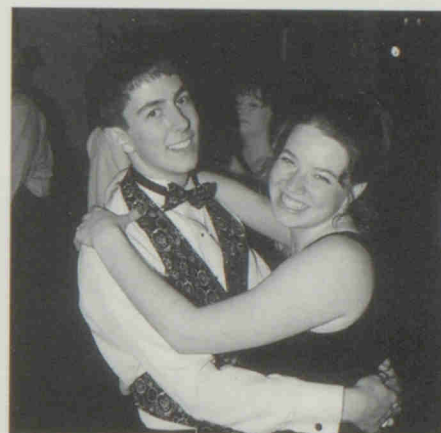




Left: The King, Sam Barton and the Queen, Carrie Crozier are dancing The dance!!!

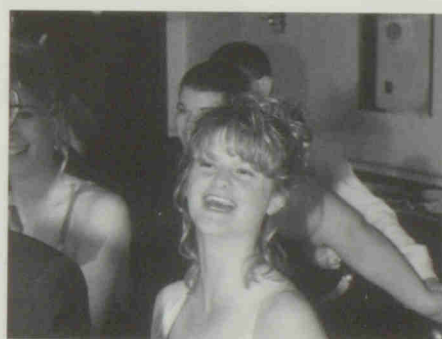


Below: Mr. and Mrs. Birge and Mr. and Mrs. Bush enjoy overseeing the event.



Above: Travis Hermann and his date enjoy a dance together.

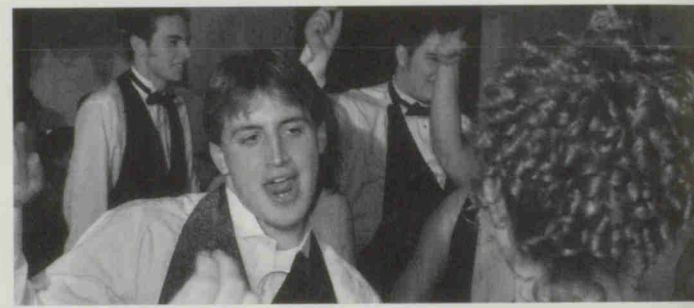
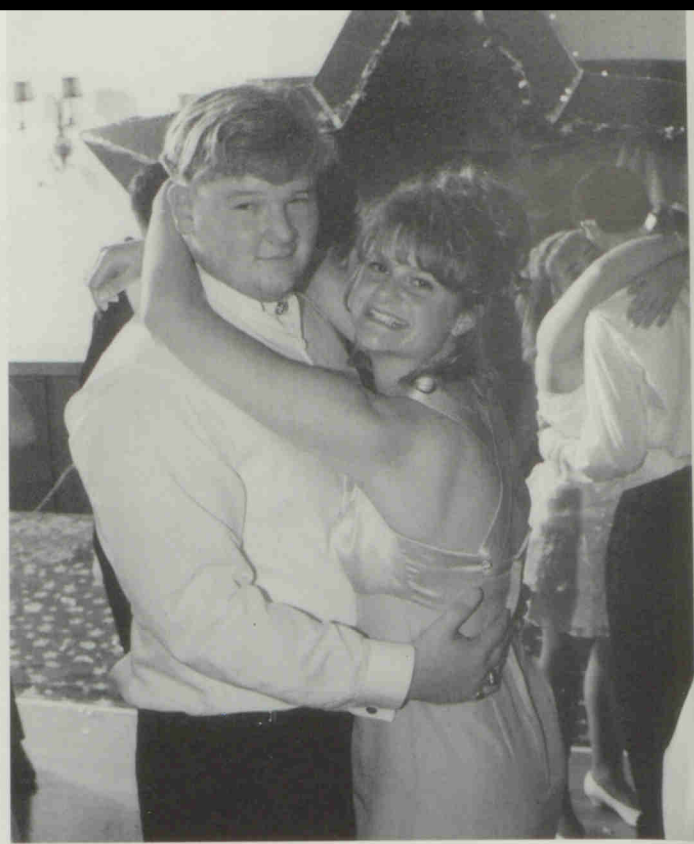
Left: The Prom Royalty, Brett Hermann, Carrie Crozier, Sam Barton and Brandi Smith.



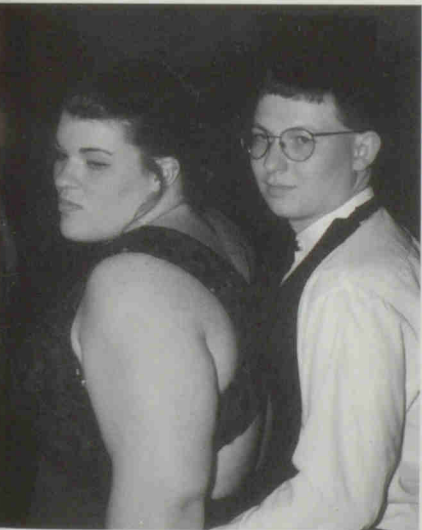
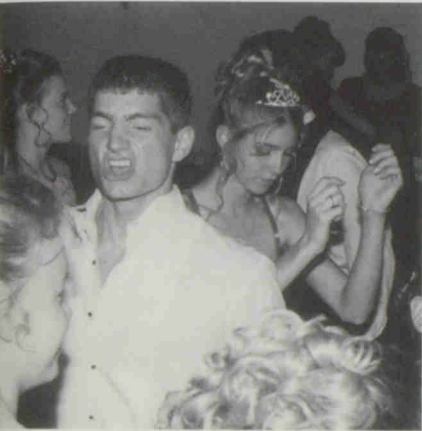
Above: Holly and friends are having a ball.

Left: Brandi places the crown on Carrie's Head as the audience looks on.

# 1998 Prom Candids





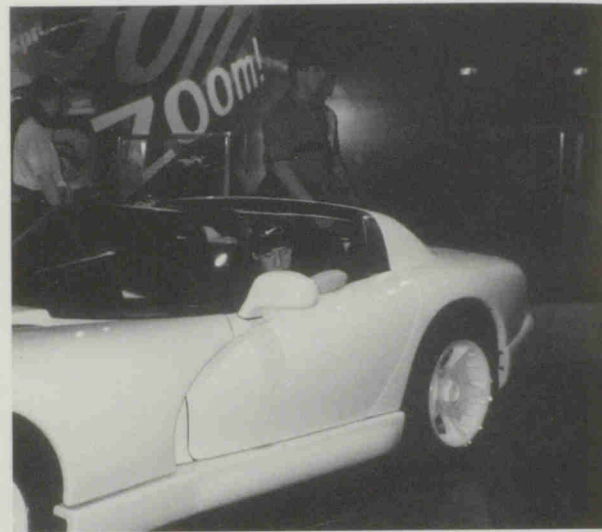




# Senior Trip

This year the Seniors went to the Mall of America in Blomington MN. We had a Ball!!

BELOW: Mall Of America, here we come!!!

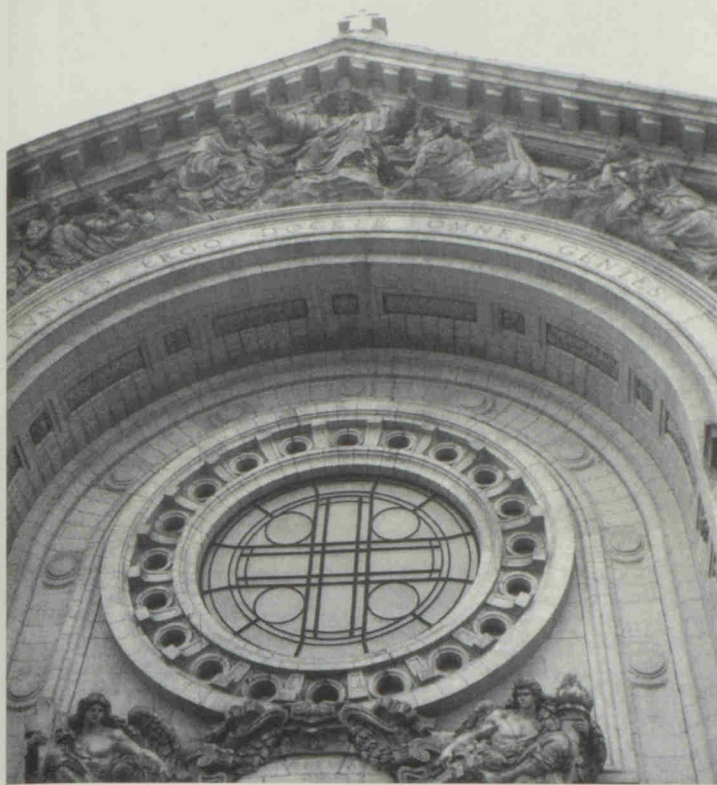


ABOVE: Bloomington, MN and the Fairfield Inn where the seniors stayed.

FAR RIGHT: Michael likes his new Viper!! He wishes!

RIGHT: Some seniors at Camp Soopy, an amusement park in the middle of the Mall.





LEFT: The seniors took an educational trip the the St. Paul's Cathedral in Minneapolis.

BELOW: GET OUT OF MY WAY! I'M GOING SHOPPING!!!!



FAR LEFT: Michael scares the living daylight out of Travis as he stands on top of a 7 story parking garage on a windy day!!!

ABOVE: Everyone prepares to head to the Mall for a fun filled day of shopping!

LEFT: Some seinors at the altar in St. Paul's Cathedral.





# 1998 Graduation

Amanda Baker was Valedictorian of the Deland Weldon High School senior class at the Graduation Exercises held Saturday, May 30, 1998 at the high school. Ryan Sosamon was the Salutatorian. Twenty two seniors graduated as a large capacity crowd of family members and friends gathered to witness the exercise. Addresses given by Amanda and Ryan spoke of the experiences they have had while here at Deland Weldon High, and of the future challenges that lie before them and their classmates of 1998. From the moment these students moved their tassels, each of them have begun a new and exciting venture in their lives. Best wishes and good luck to each member of the senior graduating class of 1998.





"I will be strong and carry on"



Above: Graduates celebrate back stage as they prepare to receive their diplomas.



Above: Casual conversations and eager expectations as classmates names are called to receive the long sought sheepskin.



Above: Amanda Baker receives the Valedictorian award.



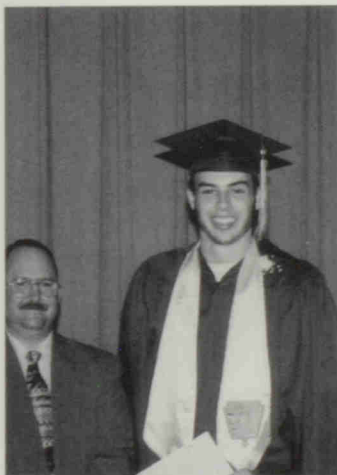
Above: Ryan Sosamon receives the Salutatorian award.



Above: Jarrah Roos receives the DAR award and Travis Herman the SAR award.



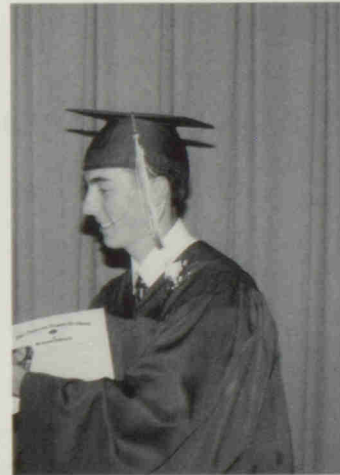
Above: The Presidential Academic awards went to Amanda Baker, Ryan Sosamon and Michael Twist.



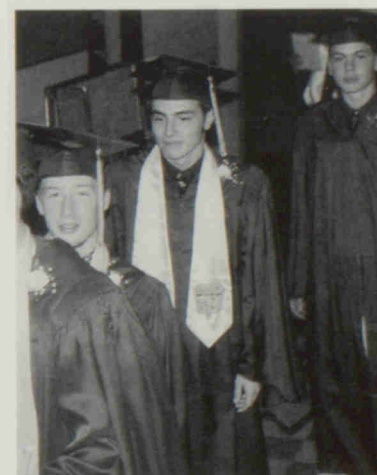
Above: Ryan Sosamon receives the Masonic Scholarship



Above: Jarrah Roos receives the American Legion Citizenship Award for girls.



Above: Travis Hermann receives the American Legion Citizenship Award for boys.



Above: Micael Twist, Garin White and Chase Woods line up to receive their diplomas.

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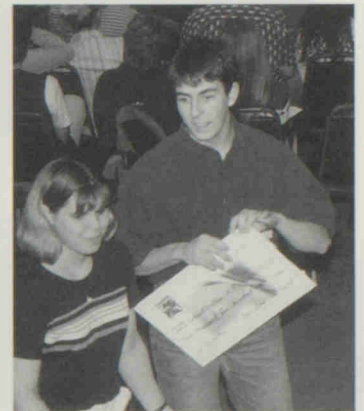
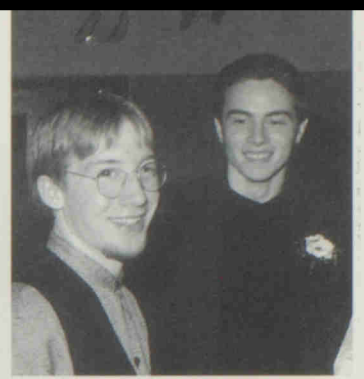
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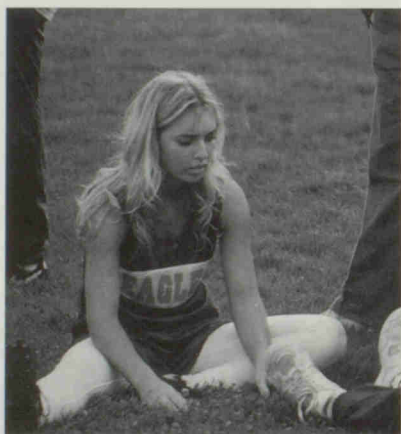


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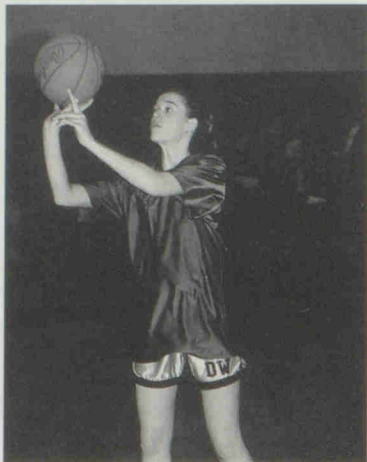
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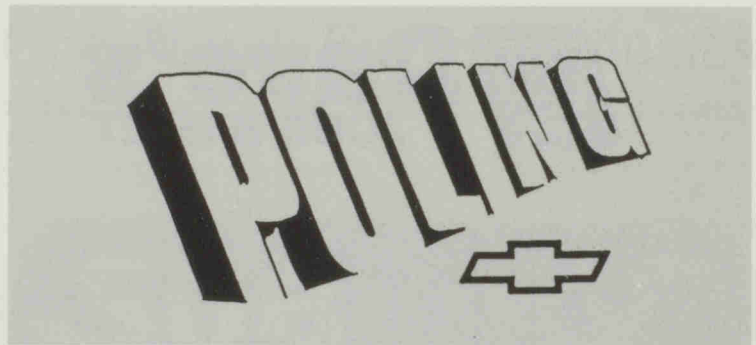
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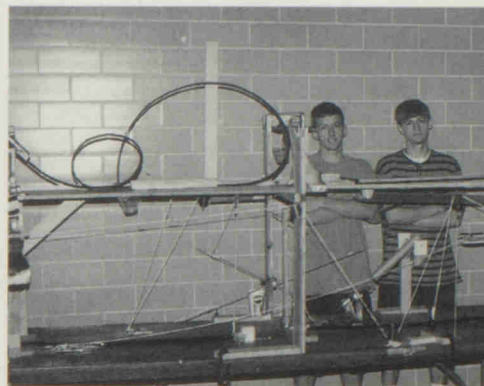
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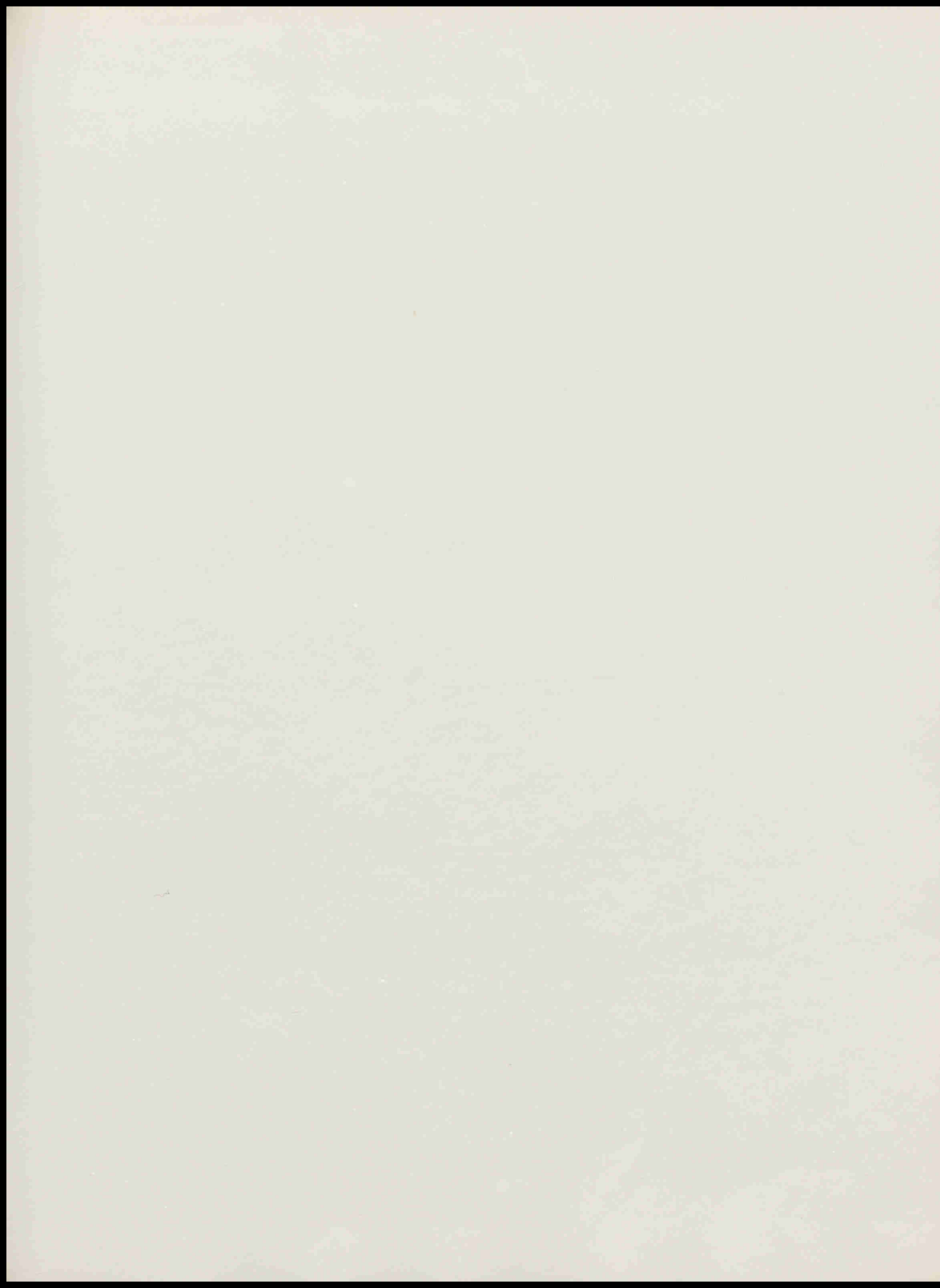
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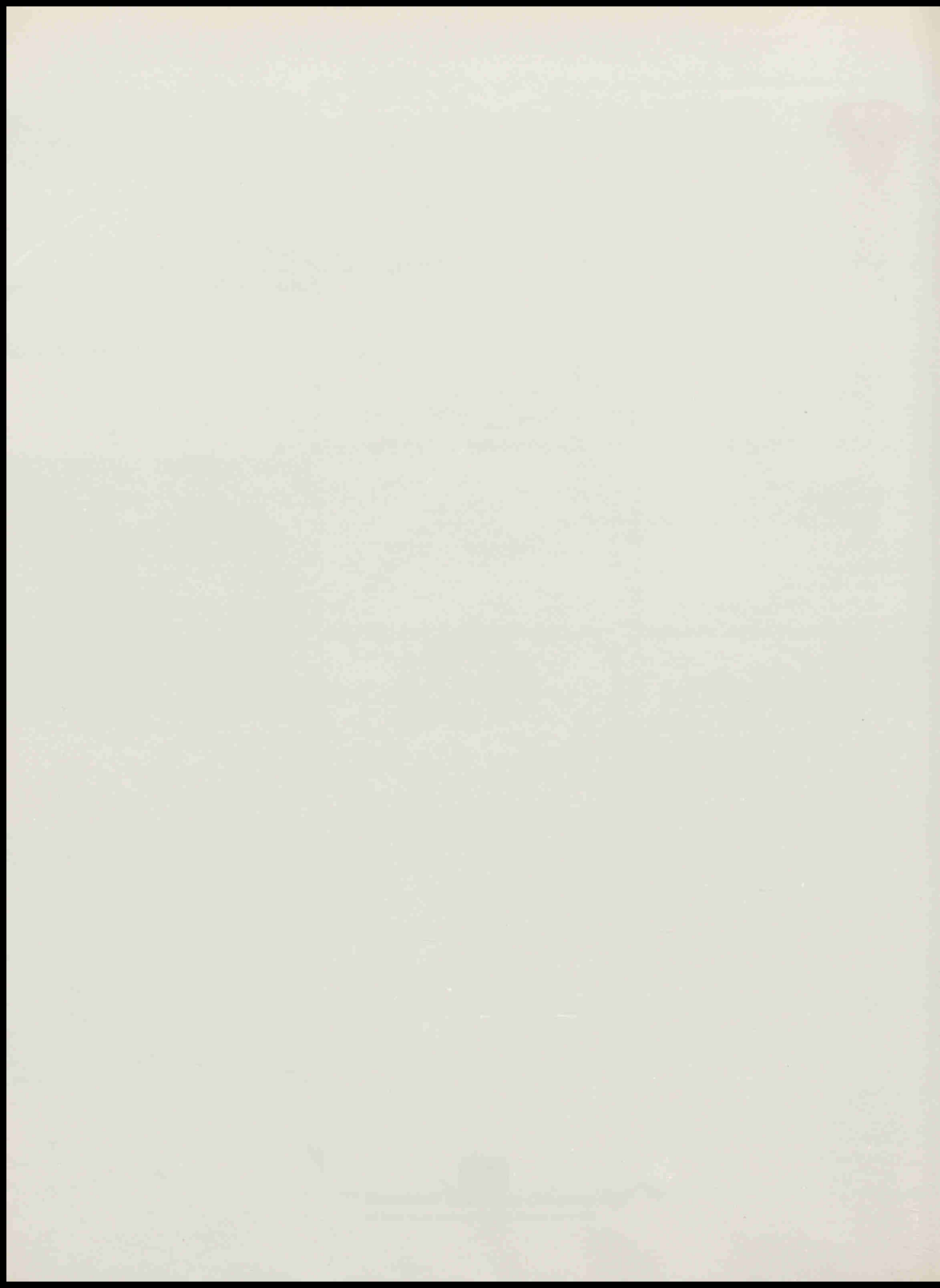
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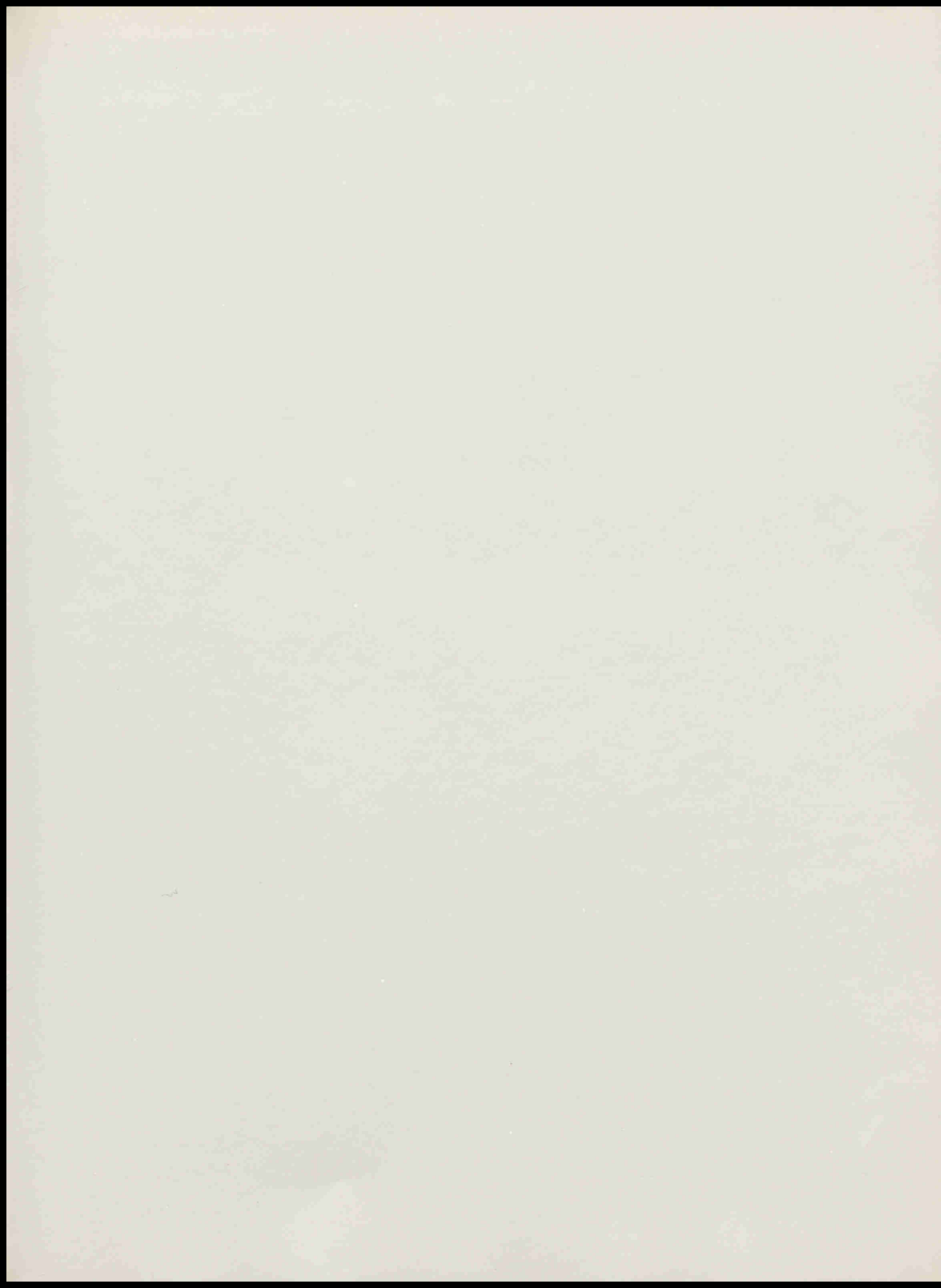


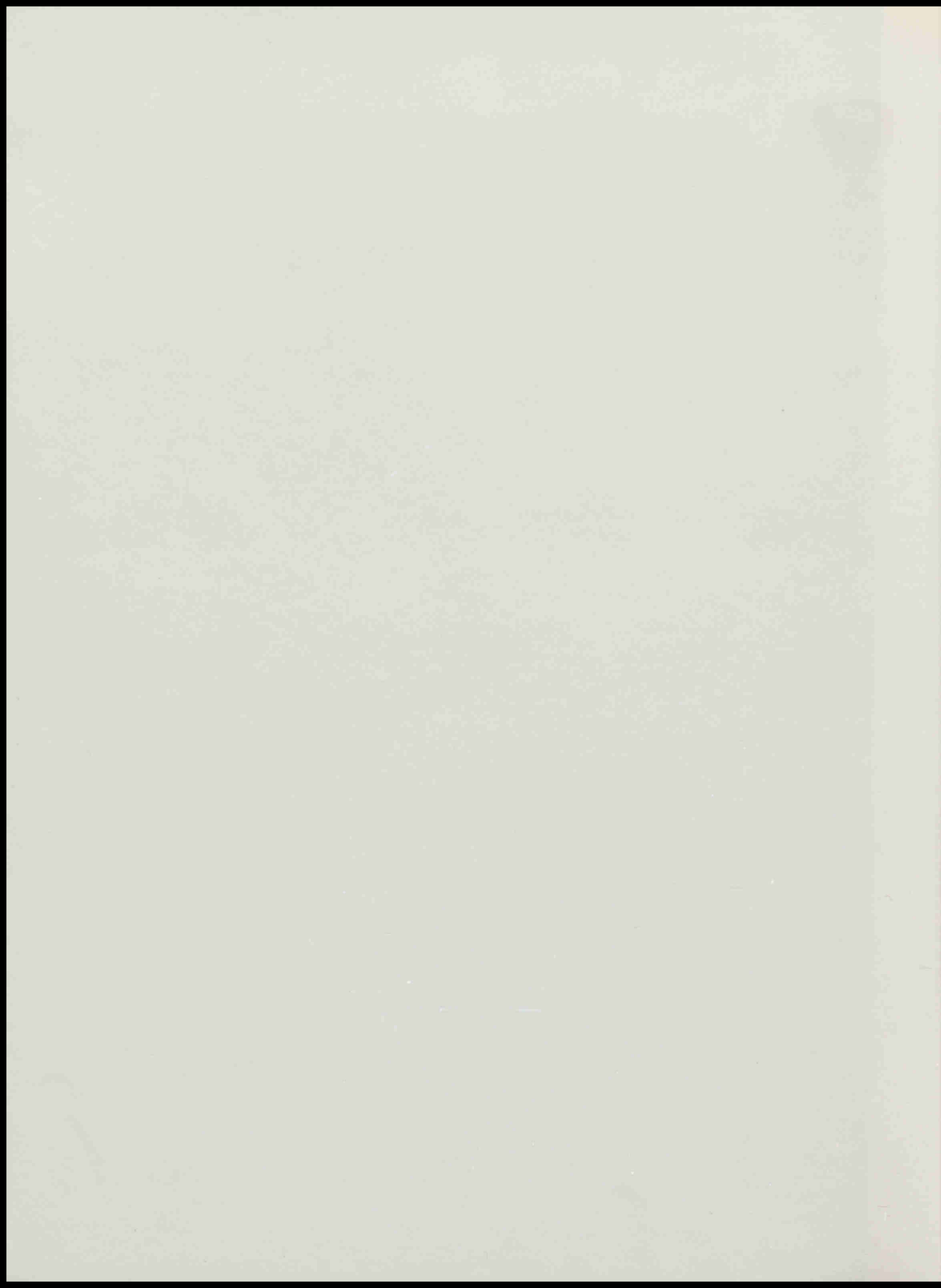
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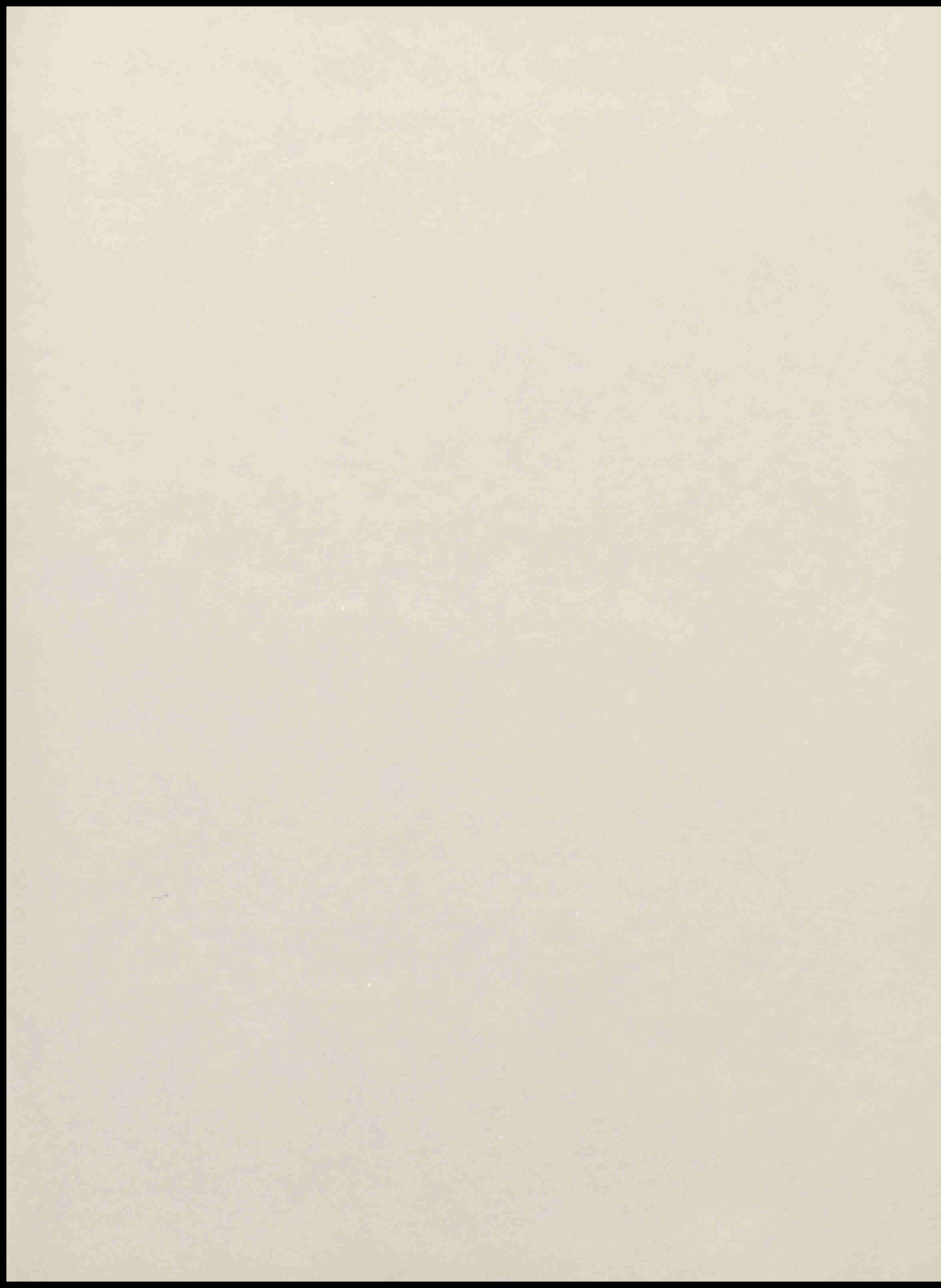




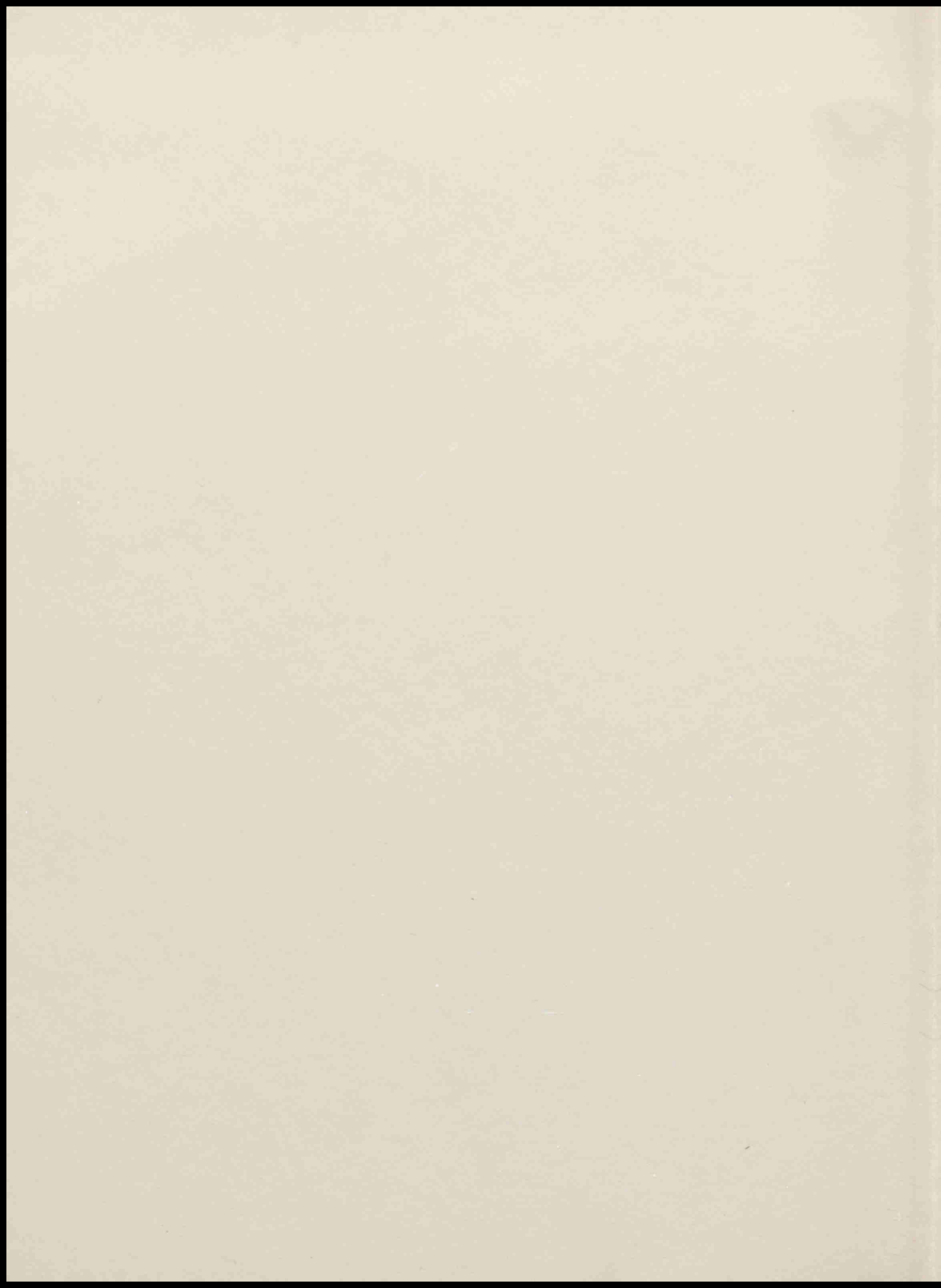


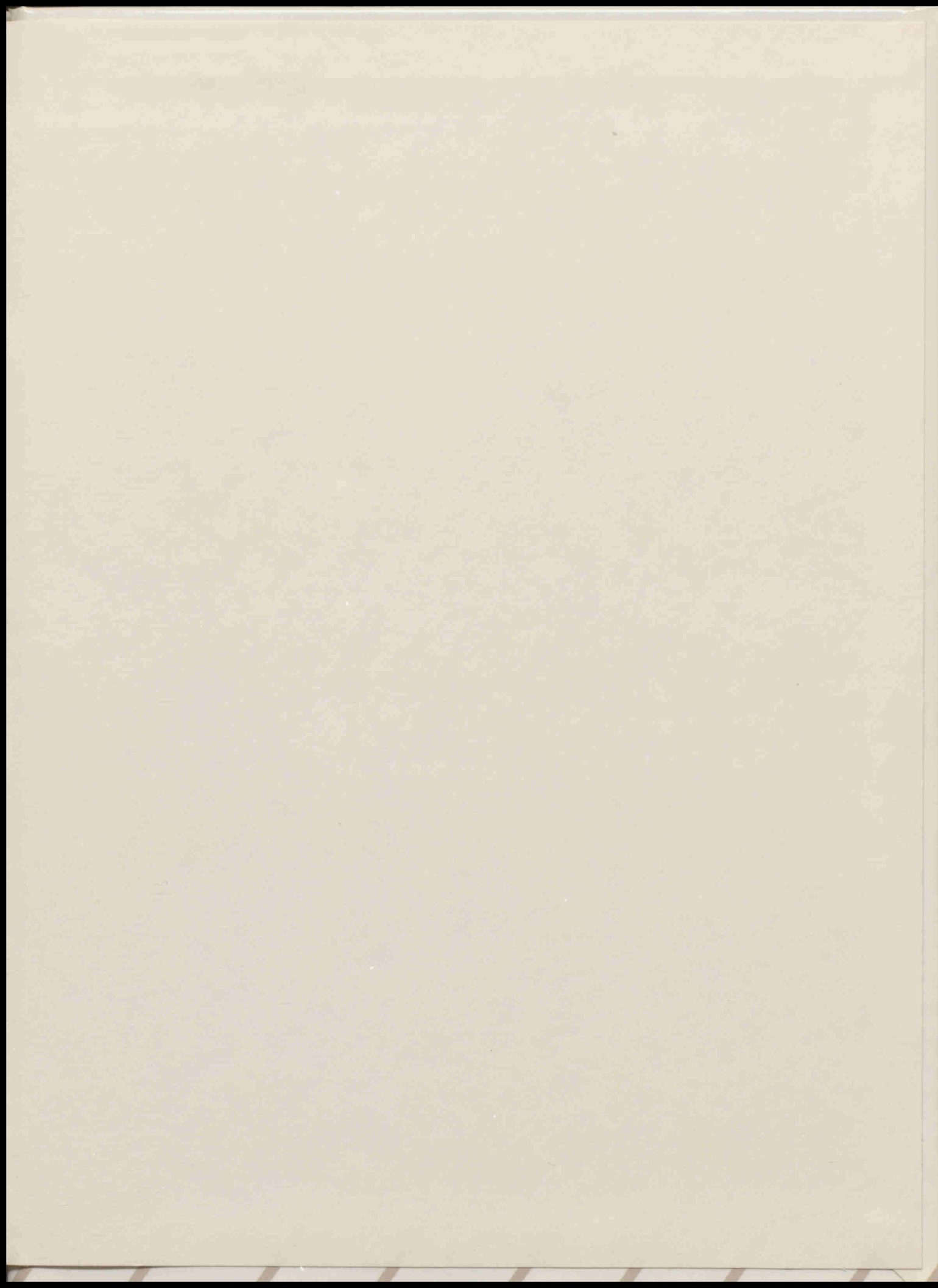












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